THE WEATHER

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A CHILD WIFE

Sentenced to the Industrial School

SHE IS YET IN HER THIRTEENTH YEAR

Her Case a Very Unusual One

BOY GROWING UP IN NEGLECT

Placed in Hands of Poor Overseers

For the first time in the history of the local police court a married woman, today, was sentenced to the industrial school for girls at Lancaster.

Clara Richard was found guilty of larceny on four counts. She is the youngest wife in Lowell and her marriage about six months ago resulted in the imprisonment of her father and her husband. They gave false answers to the clerk who gave them a marriage license and also to the minister who performed the ceremony.

They said that the girl was in her seventeenth year and she is not yet fourteen. She does not look older than she really is, and could not have procured a marriage license but for the fact that her father and husband lied about her age.

The court remarked about the rather unusual occurrence of sentencing a married woman to the industrial school but her age admitted her and the fact that she was married did not interfere.

In company with another girl, Albertaine Heroux, 15, she was arrested a few days ago for pilfering from several of the big department stores and some of the stolen property was found in their possession. They did not deny that they had been engaged in the nefarious work of shoplifting. The Heroux girl was also sentenced to the industrial school for girls.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

John J. McCarthy was in police court. He was not charged with any offence and the words written opposite his name on the police court blotter were, "growing up in neglect." His mother is dead and his father lives at 451 Broadway. Agent Richardson of the Humane society and the police officers who investigated the case, said that the house was in a filthy condition and that it would be doing the boy an injustice to allow him to remain there. Secretary Courtney of the overseers of the poor was in court and the boy was placed in his hands.

CASE CONTINUED.

The case of Castos Farfaras charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors was continued for one week because his counsel was unable to appear in court this morning.

FOR DRUNKENNESS.

It was Henry Bixter's second offence within a year. Henry said that he had a good job to go to in Brockton. His family is in Lowell and he came here yesterday, he said, to pay them a visit. He corned up in Boston and the fire water was getting in its work in good shape when he arrived in Lowell. Henry was ordered to pay a fine of $6.

KILLED HIS HENS.

A Mr. Fish, who lives at 21 Saratoga street, called at the police station this forenoon and complained that dogs had killed four of his hens last evening. He says there are two dogs in the neighborhood that are hen crazy. Last evening they went to the hen coop, reached through the wire netting and fished out four plump pullets. The loss of the hens and the character of the dogs are being investigated by a squad of police.

WANTED TO SLEEP.

A woman who gave the name Hannah Gallagher walked into the police station about 11 o'clock this forenoon and said to Keeper Holman that she wanted a place to lay her head. She had been too intimate with the flowing bowl and was very much under the weather.

"I have the horrors," she said to the keeper, as she struck out at what she said looked like rats. She pounded the floor with the heel of her shoe for a few seconds and hobbled out at what had the car-marks of a trance when the keeper asked her if she wanted to be locked up. "All I want is a place to lay my head," she said, "but I suppose you'll lock me up and it is just as well. I suppose Judge Hadley will send me away for six months and that'll help some. You always was a pretty good fellow, Mr. Holman, and that lets you out." After the applause had died away Hannah was escorted to a cell in the rear of "sunny row."

OBNOXIOUS PERSON.

It was reported to the police that a man was making himself obnoxious to women in the vicinity of the Normal school during the morning and early afternoon and two officers were sent there to look after him.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

House thieves entered the residence of Dr. D. D. Snyder, 20 Canton street, between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday and got away with diamonds, watches and other articles of jewelry, together with a small sum of money.

Dr. Snyder is the well known Merrimack street dentist and he said that the thieves must have gained entrance with a key. The matter has been reported to the police.

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

NO CITY STORE

Mayor Howe Will Not Sanction It

Will Probably Veto That Portion of Appropriations Order Which Refers to It—His Honor Demurred Over Idea of Six Ambulance Men

Mayor Howe is not going to sign the appropriation orders in their entirety.

He refused to allow the erection and maintenance of the city store as asked for by the overseers of the poor and subsequently recommended by the appropriations committee.

The city store matter it appears has been the cause of the mayor's delay in not returning the appropriations papers from his office. As yet he has not taken decisive action either way and still has the matter under consideration, but unless he changes his mind within a short time he will veto that portion of the order which provides $2500 for the erection of a city store for the distribution of out-door relief by the pauper department.

His honor also recently discovered that there were six men drawing pay as ambulance drivers, it being the intention of the overseers to have two of them act as storekeepers and emergency drivers. The two extra men have been working a couple of weeks and the mayor has signed their payroll each time. But it seems that he did not realize what their work was until his attention was called to the matter by some kind friend. He spoke yesterday as though he did not approve of the idea of extra drivers, but it is evident that his honor has changed mind in the matter, for he signed their payroll and they received their pay this morning.

SERIOUSLY HURT

WORKMEN WERE BURNED BY ELECTRICITY.

BOSTON, March 11.—Two workmen were badly burned by electricity and several others made unconscious today as a result of a wire derrick cable coming in contact with a trolley feed wire of the Boston Elevated Railway company. The seriously injured were Michael Kine, 35 years of age, and Edward Hanson, 52 years of age. The accident happened in the Back Bay. The workmen who were employed by a firm of contractors were raising a derrick when the wire connection occurred. A loud explosion followed and all the men received a strong charge of electricity.

TO CLOSE POOL ROOMS.

NEW YORK, March 11.—As an outcome of the fight between one of the telegraph companies and pool room keepers who refused to permit inspectors in their places of business so that the rooms could not send out racing news without paying the company extra therefor, has resulted in the drawing up of a bill which will be sent to Albany today for introduction before the legislature.

By the terms of the proposed law, those who furnish racing news and information to the keepers of pool rooms will be placed in the same class as their patrons and may be prosecuted for felony.

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BEST TEAS OF ALL KINDS.

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Mince Meat.....3c a package
Best Round Steak.....2 lbs. for 25c
Best Sirloin and Rump Steak.....18c lb
10 stamps on 1 pkg. 10c. Mince Meat.

Legs of Lamb Short Cut 10c
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TRY OUR BUTTERINE.
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Prints.....15c a lb
Tubs.....From 14c a lb up

HEADLESS BODY

Was Found in Delaware Bay

BRIDGETON, N. J., March 11.—The police authorities here are endeavoring to unravel the mystery surrounding the finding of the bodies of a man and woman yesterday in Delaware bay opposite Bayside. The woman's body is headless. It was at first thought to be that of Anna Newkirk, who disappeared in January from her home at Hancock Bridge, Salem county.

The man's body was found shortly after the corpse of the woman had been recovered. There is nothing on either body by which they can be identified.

Coroner Hall, of Cumberland county, said today that the dead woman was not Miss Newkirk.

The authorities here think it probable that the bodies floated down the Delaware river from Philadelphia or from some point above that city.

BOSTON BROKER

THREW HIMSELF IN FRONT OF TRAIN.

BRAINTREE, Mass., March 11.—Before the eyes of many people gathered on the station platform, James J. Mahoney, a Boston broker, today threw himself in front of a passenger train and was crushed to death. Mahoney, whose home was in East Weymouth and who had an office at 131 State street, Boston, was 55 years old. Mental derangement as the result of business troubles is believed to have caused him to commit suicide. He was prominent in the G. A. R. post in East Weymouth and in local republican politics. For several years he was a messenger at the state house. He is survived by a widow and three children.

BLOWN TO PIECES

TWO ITALIAN WORKMEN WERE KILLED.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Two Italian workmen were blown to pieces and a third severely injured while blasting in the Bronx today for a sewer. A blast that had been prepared failed to explode until the workmen had returned to the trench.

CABLE SHIP ASHORE.

ISLAND OF GUAM, March 11.—The cable ship Scotia is ashore on Spanish rocks. The water is nearly up to her decks and she will probably prove a wreck.

The Scotia is a vessel of 2776 tons register, 379 feet long, 48 feet beam and 30 feet depth of hold. She was built at Glasgow, in 1862 and is owned by the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance company, limited, of London. She was last reported as having sailed from Singapore, Jan. 23, for Honolulu.

PROMINENT MILL MAN DEAD.

BRUNSWICK, Me., March 11.—Benjamin Greene, a prominent cotton manufacturer and financier, died today, aged 86 years. He was agent of the Cabot Cotton mills 35 years, resigning in 1890, and for 35 years has been a director of the First National bank. Mr. Greene was born in Eastfort, Conn., where he entered the cotton mills. He was employed at Southbridge, Mass., and Richmond, Va., and in 1850 became agent of one of the largest cotton mills at Webster, Mass. He is survived by Benjamin Dwight Greene, of Quebec, formerly of Savannah, Ga., Dr. Robert H. Greene of New York and Emily S., wife of Chief Justice Andrew P. Wiswell of Ellsworth, Me.

BADLY INJURED

Otis Adams, Aged Man of Chelmsford

WAS STRUCK BY AN ELECTRIC CAR

His Condition is Very Serious

Otis Adams, an old and respected resident of the town of Chelmsford, was struck by an electric car in Chelmsford street at 6 o'clock last evening and it is feared that his injuries may prove fatal.

Mr. Adams is in his 78th year. He was walking along the road and got upon the track at the foot of Bartlett hill when the car was a short distance behind him. As he is stone deaf, he did not hear the clang of the bell and he was seen to be on the track too late to avoid the accident.

The motorman did all he could to stop the car when he found that the signals had no effect. The old man was caught on the fender and sustained wounds about the head that rendered him unconscious. He was taken to the Odd Fellows' building in Chelmsford, where Dr. Scoboria attended him. Later he was removed to his home and Dr. Scoboria called Dr. J. V. Meigs of this city in consultation.

The car was in charge of Motorman Stacknole and Conductor Fitzgerald, both of whom assisted in caring for the injured man.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon it was learned that Mr. Adams' condition is very critical.

SAFE BLOWN OPEN

ROBBERS RIFLED STATION AND POSTOFFICE.

PHILADELPHIA, March 11.—While Station Master J. H. Nixon, his wife and three children slept in the upper part of the Pennsylvania railroad station at Haverford, a suburb, early today, burglars entered the lower floor which is used as the postoffice. They blew open the safe and made off with $500 in cash, stamps to the amount of $20 and a number of letters containing money.

The room was wrecked by the explosion and the floor was strewn with letters that had been rifled.

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SLICK STRANGER

Buncoed North Chelmsford Man

SAID HE WAS BOSS CONSTRUCTOR

For the Western Union Telegraph Company

If it is a fact that there's a fool born every minute it would seem that the fool's advent into this world must be closely followed by the birth of a trickster. This conclusion is drawn from the fact that every trickster seems to find an easy mark. The country today, especially Massachusetts, is flooded with men who belong to the class that have determined to live by their wits. They have determined that the world owes them a living and if the world doesn't hand it out they'll take it. Old schemes and new schemes are being worked right and left and still the foxy American continues to be humbugged.

The very latest dodge to come to the attention of the police was played on a North Chelmsford resident within a few days. He called at the police station this forenoon and told his troubles to the police. He considered it his duty, he said, to tell what happened to him in order that others might benefit by his experience.

Last Monday morning a slick looking man between 40 and 45 years old, weighing about 190 pounds, reddish moustache, redish hair mixed with gray and wearing gold-rimmed eyeglasses and a gold chain, to which was attached a massive charm brilliant with 40-cent diamonds, called on the North Chelmsford man and gave him a game of talk that sounded as nice as you please.

He represented himself to be a superintendent of construction for the Western Union Telegraph company and that he wanted to engage board for himself and five of his men. The North Chelmsford man talked the matter over with his good wife and the stranger and an agreement was reached. It was early enough in the day to allow the good wife to get up a "few extras" for dinner and she had the "Fontarine" and a few more of the sweet places we read about beaten to a standstill. The stranger declared that it was one of the very best dinners that he ever tackled in his whole life.

The stranger was ready for business when the North Chelmsford man told him supper was ready and he declared the supper was as good as the dinner. He fired so many bouquets at the North Chelmsford man's wife that she did a "shift seat" turn with the pot covers and stove covers.

The stranger said he had five men and a two-horse team in Lowell and that the men would arrive at North Chelmsford with the horses on Tuesday.

Tuesday came around all right, but the men and horses didn't. The stranger asked if there was a telephone in the town and he was directed to the Adams house. Tuesday was not a very pleasant day and when he returned to his boarding house he told the good Mr. Z that he had telephoned his men not to come until Wednesday. "That'll be all right," said Mr. Z, and the stranger went back to his cigars and papers. He had a wallet that looked as if it was fairly groaning with the weight of bills and Mr. Z allowed that his boarder was just about the proper caper.

Wednesday morning came and so did Wednesday noon, but the men and horses didn't come from Lowell. The stranger pretended to be in a fearful rage. He lighted out for the telephone and when he returned to the house he said he had read the riot act to his men in Lowell.

"They will be here tomorrow at noon," he said, "and he took a shy glance at Mr. Z. The latter looked a bit suspicious but a thought of the swelled pocketbook in his boarder's inside pocket came to him, and he said, "All right."

The stranger was getting along first rate but to be sure that he would make real good he asked Mr. Z if he knew where he could hire five able-bodied men.

It happened that a few strong-armed quarrymen were lying around loose and the stranger hired five of them. He hired them to do ground work and assured them there would be no pole climbing in theirs. He promised to pay them $2 a day.

"Come around tomorrow morning," he said, "and wait for the men and horses that are coming from Lowell. The quarrymen were on hand bright and early and they waited.

The stranger left the house stating that he wanted to make a purchase at the store. A little later he returned and said to Mr. Z:

"What kind of a town is this, anyhow. I went down there to the store to make some purchases, presented a $100 bill in payment and they couldn't change it. I want to go to Boston and there are a few things I want to get that my men will need when they come. Could you loan me $5?"

"Sure I can," said Mr. Z, and he touched the family stocking for the last five it contained.

The stranger went away and he didn't come back. At noon time the quarrymen went to dinner, one by one, so that if the Lowell men arrived they would find four men on deck. They held the waiting place down till supper time and went home. They talked the matter over and decided that the man who hired them was a bunco steerer and they told Mr. Z so. The latter was loathe to believe, but was finally convinced that they were right and decided that he would tell the story to the police.

JAPANESE OFFICERS ARRIVE.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Celtic from Liverpool and Queenstown were 28 Japanese army and navy officers, returning home from European countries and Right Rev. Joseph C. Hartzell, missionary bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church to Africa.

WANTED—Housework by a woman; is a good cook and laundress. Address M. C., 25 Rogers street.

RUSSIAN LOSSES

2000 Men Killed in Fights on Yalu River

LONDON, Mar. 11—The Tientsin correspondent of the Standard says that the Russian losses on the Yalu river in the fights of the past few days will reach a total of 2000 men.

The spirit of the Russian troops, he says, who are largely recruits, has been broken by starvation, cold and harsh treatment from their officers.

He reports also that the Russians are withdrawing all their superfluous troops from Port Arthur to Harbin and Kirin because of the shortness of provisions at Port Arthur and the probability that they cannot hold it.

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Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs, they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c at Goodale's drug store, 217 Central St., Lowell.

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MISTAKES MADE

In Biographies of Latter Day Saints

WASHINGTON, March 10—Andrew Jensen, assistant historian of the Mormon church, was recalled as the first witness today in the Sen. Reed Smoot case before the senate committee on privileges and elections. He said on cross-examination there was a number of typographical errors and misstatements in the biographies of the latter day saints and that he got a great deal of the information for the volume from other publications.

Chairman Burrows asked the witness to furnish a list of the presidents of the 53 states and he agreed to do so as soon as he could prepare it. The chairman indicated that he also desired a list of bishops of the 700 wards. This is for the purpose of bringing additional witnesses to Washington. Mr. Worthington for the defence announced that the opposing counsel had agreed upon a statement of facts in regard to the testimony in the Teasdale divorce case and could present it in executive session of the committee. Mr. Jensen gave an elaborate explanation of the machinery of the church and the distribution of authority among apostles, presidents of states and bishops.

Mr. Jensen said that aside from Salt Lake, Weaver and Summit counties, the Mormons were in the majority in all the counties of Utah. Senator Dubois asked the witness in regard to Apostle Heber J. Grant. Mr. Jensen in reply to questions from Chairman Burrows said Grant was reputed to be a polygamist at the time he was named by President Smith as the head of the mission in Japan. It was understood, Mr. Jensen said, that Grant took a wife to Japan and a wife to England.

Mr. Worthington asked Mr. Jensen if he meant by the term "reputed to be a polygamist" that a man has more than one wife or lives with more than one wife. He said he wanted the former definition to be understood in every case, as that was a statement which the church allows to go unchallenged.

In regard to punishments for breaking rules of the church, Mr. Jensen said that any member is amenable to the bishop of his ward, and that other officials do not interfere.

Chairman Burrows said President Smith had testified that he had violated the laws since 1890 and he asked of Mr. Jensen:

"Do you know whether Mr. Smith has ever been interfered with for breaking the laws?"

"I think he has not."

"Do you know of any non-Mormons who have been prosecuted since 1890?"

"I don't know that any non-Mormons are living in Utah with more than one wife openly."

He further said that he knew of the prosecution of one Mormon the case of Lorin Harmer, who testified yesterday. Mr. Jensen said in answer to questions from Senator Hoar that he had never known of a prosecution of a polygamist who continued to cohabit with plural wives when he had married prior to the manifesto of 1890.

He said that if Mormons should turn informers against a polygamist under such constitution, against President Smith for instance, such Mormon informers would be odious in the sight of most members of the church.

Mr. Jensen said it is only the high officers who are supposed to devote all of their time to the church. These are under obligations to get the consent of their brother officers, when they desire to engage in some other business or enter politics.

The committee then went into executive session and at its close took a recess.

DESOLATE SCENE

In the Vicinity of Wilkesbarre

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 10—The Susquehanna river is receding rapidly. At 9 o'clock today it was 26.7 feet above low water mark, a fall of nearly four feet during the last 24 hours. Many of the streets are clear of water and people are returning to their homes. There is no indication, however, that any of the gorges have broken.

The latest reports from Bloomsburg were that the flood was receding at the rate of four inches an hour and it was believed that one of the gorges below that town had broken.

There is no change in the gorge at Nanticoke. The banks of both sides of the river from Shickshinny to Sunbury, a distance of 50 miles, present a scene of desolation. Wrecked bridges, outbuildings, telegraph poles, etc., are strewn everywhere. The new steel bridge at Catawissa is a total wreck.

The bridge at Shickshinny is likely to be carried away should the ice gorge at Nanticoke break and the river continue high. The Lehigh Valley railroad announced today that it would resume the running of trains between Wilkesbarre and Pittston.

The Erie road also announced that it will run all trains on schedule time. The Central railroad of New Jersey has repaired its road bed and trains are leaving on time. The Penna and the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western roads, however, are in no better condition than they were yesterday and it is not known when they will begin the running of trains.

Mines are flooded but are being pumped out and some of them may be able to resume work tomorrow.

MINISTER RESIGNED

BECAUSE WINE MERCHANT JOINED CONGREGATION.

NEW YORK, March 10—Rather than countenance in church membership a man engaged in the liquor business, Rev. Edward M. Martin, assistant pastor of the Lexington Avenue Congregational church, Brooklyn, has handed in his resignation. He came to the Brooklyn church from Richland Centre, Wis., a year ago. Two deacons may also resign.

The cause of the trouble is a wealthy wine merchant. With his family he has attended the church many times and recently decided to formally become an enrolled member. When his name was presented there was warm opposition on the part of the Rev. Martin, backed by several deaconesses and two deacons, but the merchant was admitted and the assistant minister's resignation followed.

GRANT'S GRANDSON

GOES TO CLAIM A BRIDE IN PARIS.

NEW YORK, March 10—Philipe Bunau-Varilla, who recently resigned as minister from Panama to the United States, sailed for Havre today on the steamship La Lorraine, accompanied by his family. Capt. Algernon Sartoris, grandson of Gen. U. S. Grant, who goes abroad to marry Miss Cecilia Noussa in Paris, was also on the steamer.

No Appetite

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GRAND DUKE

ARRIVED IN NEW YORK TODAY ON STEAMER LUISE.

NEW YORK, March 10—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Koenigen Luise from Vienna, Naples and Gibraltar where the Grand Duke of Oldenburg who is on the passenger list as Count Lensahn; Capt. M. L. Crouse, U. S. A.; Max Contag, an architect sent by the German government to the St. Louis exposition and G. A. C. Christiancy, formerly assistant attorney general for the post office department. Among the steerage passengers were four United States sailors of the United States ship Don Juan de Austria, one of the ships sunk by Admiral Dewey which is now on its way across the Atlantic from Gibraltar where the sailors left her, their term of service having expired, and five Cingalese who are going to St. Louis.

KOSMUS CLUB

BEGINS FIGHT ON GYPSY MOTH.

WAKEFIELD, Mass., March 10—The Kosmus club, composed of women prominent in society and which at the last city election attained some success in campaigning for school committee candidate has undertaken to assist in exterminating the gypsy moth in this vicinity. The club has issued circulars which have been sent to pastors of various churches with the request that they be read to the congregations on the coming Sunday. The communication of the club calls upon all citizens to join in waging war against the gypsy moth and against the kindred pest, known as the brown tail moth.

WILL LOSE SPEECH

THOMAS MacGUIRE MAY NOT SURVIVE OPERATION.

NEW YORK, March 10—Thomas J. MacGuire, treasurer of a theatre here and widely known in the profession of the stage, has told farewell to his friends in preparation for a surgical operation which will deprive him of ever speaking again, if indeed he survives with his life.

MacGuire came here in 1881 from San Francisco, where he had been treasurer of two leading theatres. For years he has smoked 25 or more cigars daily and this, it is supposed, started a cancerous growth at the roots of his tongue.

Thinking little of the irritation, MacGuire neglected consulting a doctor until recently, and then it was found that the removal of his tongue would be the only means of saving his life.

After long deliberation he decided to undergo the operation, but so gravity has it preyed upon his mind that his hair is said to have turned snow white in the past six weeks.

SHE WILL LIVE

WOMAN ASSAULTED BY HER HUSBAND WILL PULL THROUGH.

It is now believed that Mrs. John Clough of Pelham, who was assaulted by her husband with a razor will but last spring will survive her injuries. Clough is in jail on an indictment, but has not been brought to trial on account of the uncertainty of the result of his wife's injuries. Should she live until May it will be a year since the crime was committed and Clough cannot be held for manslaughter.

TWO MEN KILLED

BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION AT HARRISBURG.

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 10—An explosion of a large charge of dynamite and gunpowder at the Pennsylvania railroad improvement two miles west of Millersburg today, instantly killed James Kerner, a foreman, and a laborer named Mazigotti. Two other laborers were seriously injured.

UNIVERSITY CLOSED.

VIENNA, March 10—The university here has been closed in consequence of threats of disturbances among the students. The German students were much incensed at the demonstrations of the Czechs against their German comrades at Prague, Bohemia and threatened retaliation.

BANKERS CONFER

VARIOUS PLANS FOR REFUNDING BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 10—Bankers who have assumed the financial guardianship of the Harriman railroad system have, according to the Herald, taken up for serious consideration the intricate problem of unifying the funded debt of the Southern Pacific system. It has been generally known for a long time that some comprehensive plan must be prepared in order to refund bonds which mature in 1905. The matter has been discussed informally by directors of the company and various plans have been suggested. The work of constructing a refunding mortgage, estimated at $200,000,000 and $300,000,000 has now been taken up in detail for the first time, but it is not expected that the plan will be completed for several months. So intricate are the finances of the Southern Pacific owing to the diversity of its holdings that it has been doubted whether any comprehensive plan for unifying the debts of the various companies in the system could be devised without the creation of an entirely new corporation.

Those who have undertaken the solution of the problem believe it can be reached, however, without altering the character of the Southern Pacific's holdings or any of its properties or originating a new device for welding together the debts of the constituent companies.

The frame upon which the great plan will hang will be a general refunding mortgage. The amount will depend wholly upon how much of the debt of the system, which aggregates $363,573,315 can be included in any refunding mortgage however broad its scope.

Debts of some properties which should be included in the refunding scheme are held by ownership of stock, others are held by lease. Some of the operating companies are owned by other operating companies and some are held directly by the Southern Pacific company which is a Kentucky corporation. It is difficult in some instances to carry out the plan of harmonizing and unifying the system without coming into conflict with state laws.

It is on account of the difficulties presented by this complicated situation that the work has been started well in advance of the time for its inauguration.

ARMY MANOEUVRES

HAVE PRACTICALLY BEEN ABANDONED.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 10—The projected army manoeuvres, to take place this summer, in which the national guards of New York and other eastern states were to have had an active part, have practically been abandoned, so far as New York state is concerned.

An officer high in the national guard, said today:

"From what I am told, the United States army stopped negotiations with parties in New York state, for the acquisition of either a temporary or permanent site for the camp for summer manoeuvres. They have met with so much opposition and the rates for rental or purchase have been exorbitant, that they have left, rather in disgust. This means that New York state will lose the benefits that might have accrued to its militia and its people in general by the instruction which would have been given in such a camp as well as $75,000 which would have been spent in the vicinity. I am given to understand that Somerset, Pa., will give the camp, and this will make it almost impossible to send New York state militiamen, because of the expense for transportation.

"The army officers who were attempting to locate the camp in this state, have met with all sorts of ridiculous opposition. Owners of country estates have opposed the coming of the soldier, farmers have asked for rental as much as would buy the land and the latest suggestion has been that the camp in Orange county, meant some advantage to the Ramapo Water Co."

BIG BATTLESHIPS

SAID TO HAVE ADVANTAGE OVER SMALLER ONES.

BERLIN, March 10—Secretary of admiralty, Von Tirpitz, explaining the provisions of the naval appropriations before the budget committee of the reichstag today said the chief significance of the far eastern operations was the superiority of large fighting ships over smaller ones. It was true that torpedo boats had effected success, but only owing to favorable chances. The command of the sea, the secretary added, was obtainable only by a homogeneous line of battle squadrons.

CAPT. GIBSON

WILL ACCOMPANY THE RUSSIAN TROOPS.

WASHINGTON, March 10—Capt. W. W. Gibson, ordnance corps, U. S. A., now on duty in the Philippines, has been substituted as a representative of the U. S. army with the Russian troops for Capt. J. B. Kerr, who has fallen ill.

HAGUE TRIBUNAL

OFFICIAL COPY OF THE DECISION.

WASHINGTON, March 10—The official copy of the decision of The Hague tribunal in the Venezuelan cases has just been received at the state department.

The cost to the United States for its share of the expenses of the tribunal will amount to $1,800. The government must also pay fees of its own special counsel in the case, which will amount to a great deal more than the above figure.

The total of the claims allowed against Venezuela is in the neighborhood of $10,000,000, about half of which goes to the allied powers and until they are paid the United States and associated powers get nothing. The estimated 30 per cent. receipts of customs dues which Venezuela is to apply to the payments of these claims is about $900,000 per annum, so that it may be nearly 10 years unless business increases before the non-allied powers could begin to receive their awards.

SILK IMPORTS.

NEW YORK, March 10—A statement issued by the silk association of America covering raw silk statistics for the season shows that dutiable silk imports in the customs districts of New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Hartford, Fairfield, Chicago, Cincinnati and San Francisco for the last three months of 1903, had an invoice value of $8,489,000 as compared with $7,238,950 in the corresponding period of the year before. Of the total $1,872,364 was the valuation of piece goods paying specific duties; $1,901,565 of piece goods paying 50 per cent. ad valorem duty. Most of the other goods were taxed from 50 to 60 per cent.

MOTHER WEEPS

For Son Convicted of Murder

SHE CANNOT BELIEVE HIM GUILTY

Joseph Meunier Formerly Lived in Lowell

MANCHESTER, March 10—Sitting alone by her fireside in the cozy little home on Granite street, Mrs. Exilda Meunier, mother of Joseph Meunier, who has been found guilty of murder at Detroit, Mich., and imprisoned for life on that charge, has strange fancies and says that she cannot believe her Joe is guilty.

Her eyes filled with tears, the aged mother, whose hair is now fast turning white, as she told a reporter last night that she had written to her boy in Detroit three times, but had not received an answer yet from him. She said the suspense was awful. "All I know about my Joe is what I have read in the newspapers," said Mrs. Meunier as she wiped her eyes with an apron, "and I cannot believe that my boy is guilty of what they claim he has been incarcerated in jail for. He was always such a good boy that I know there is something wrong somewhere. He could not have killed any one. He was always kind and generous and commanded the respect of his fellow employes in the Baldwin bobbin factory and of all who knew him.

"His disposition was good, his habits excellent. He was always very free with his money, and as he went from town to town, from city to city, and state to state, he left a good amount of filthy lucre for those who were in want.

"I shall never believe that Joe is guilty of the crime they have charged him with until I have heard from him. I should think that the Michigan authorities, if it is my Joe who is locked up, would allow him to write to his mother who is way up in New Hampshire watching every mail for a letter. I cannot understand why Joe does not write to me, and if he is in trouble he knows that he will have a mother's sympathy."

Mrs. Meunier then requested the newspaper men with whom she granted an interview, to write her son at Detroit and see if they could not influence him to write home.

Meanwhile Mrs. Joseph Meunier, with whom Joseph eloped from New Bedford and later became separated from, is in Manchester, evidently enjoying life. Little does she think of her first lover as she rides about the streets these fine days. One would never know that her first love was imprisoned in a Michigan bastile from her actions; in fact she says that her love for Mr. Meunier has entirely disappeared. She claims that Joseph threatened to kill her after they had engaged in a lovers' quarrel in Lowell.

Despite the attitude of his first wife, Meunier has friends in this city who are anxious to hear his side of the story, which has not yet been published in any newspaper; in fact, it is believed that he has not told it, pleading guilty as he did to the charges preferred against him.

AMERICAN REGISTER

FOR SHIPS CARRYING ARMY AND NAVY SUPPLIES.

WASHINGTON, March 10—The house committee on merchant marine and fisheries today authorized a favorable report on a house bill providing that all supplies for the use of the army and navy of the United States shipped out of the United States shall be transported either in ships belonging to the government or in ships of American register. A provision incorporated by the senate in a bill of the same nature has been added to the house bill as an amendment to the effect that should the freight rates charged be exhortionate the president may suspend the operation of the act and open the competition to the vessels of other countries.

MINISTER CONGER'S VIEWS.

WASHINGTON, March 10—A cablegram has been received at the state department from Minister Conger at Pekin, urging this government to liberally construe all rules and regulations affecting Chinese subjects, so as to admit Chinese representatives and the exhibits intended for the St. Louis exposition with the least possible trouble or delay. It is not doubted that Minister Conger's recommendations will be followed.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, March 10—Noon—Money on call nominally at 1¾@2 per cent.; prime mercantile paper 4½@5¼ per cent.

Exchanges $167,915,530; balances, $7,496,019.

WOLFBORO BANK CASE.

WOLFBORO, N. H., March 10—Up to this afternoon no answer had been received by directors of the Wolfboro Loan and Banking company to their request that Attorney General Eastman at once bring criminal proceedings against former Cashier Charles E. Piper and his son, Assistant Cashier Carroll D. Piper. These men are held by the directors to be responsible for a shortage in the bank funds of nearly $60,000.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

BERLIN, March 10—Albert Jaffe, a partner in the Frankfort banking firm of A. Jaffe and C. Trier lost several million marks in private speculation and his financial ruin was completed by the depression following the outbreak of the war.

GENERAL OLIVER BETTER.

WASHINGTON, March 10—Gen. Oliver, assistant secretary of war, has resumed his duties at the department. He has been absent three weeks on account of illness.

RATE OF DISCOUNT.

BOMBAY, March 10—The rate of discount of the Bank of Bombay was today reduced from six to five per cent.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases at Goodale's drug store, 217 Central street, Lowell. Price 50c and $1. Trial bottles free.

From Yesterday's Late Edition

LOCAL GREEK

Talks About the Taunton Tragedy

TALKED WITH SISTERS OF THE MEN

Their Story of the Shooting

A story that originated in Taunton and found its way into print relative to the tragedy in Taunton Tuesday night when, it is alleged, Pantelie Callavarithos shot and killed his uncle, Constantinos Cliponras, does not meet with favor with the friends of the alleged murderer and his victim in this city. The story alleged that it was because Pantelie suspected the relations between Constantinos and Mary Callavarithos that he shot Constantine.

George Gouzoulas, who keeps a grocery store in Market street, and who was friendly with Pantelie and Constantinos, went to Boston yesterday and talked with the sisters of both men. Mr. Gouzoulas does not believe that Callavarithos' sister figured in the trouble that resulted in the death of Cliponras. The story that the sisters told Mr. Gouzoulas and other Greeks who went from this city to Boston yesterday was repeated to a Sun reporter by Mr. Gouzoulas today. "This is the story," he said "as I learned it."

"About six o'clock Tuesday evening the men went out to a meat store and returned with some steak which was cooked for supper. After supper the men went out again and returned about eight o'clock. The men seemed as friendly as ever. After they had been in the house a short time Pantelie asked Constantinos to play cards for the cigars. Constantinos said he was tired and said he was going to bed. He did so and a little later Pantelie went to bed. The sisters of both men were then in the kitchen and they heard Pantelie call to Constantinos, 'Come here, I want to see you,' he said. The two women said they heard Constantinos enter Pantelie's room. They did not hear any loud words but several minutes later they heard the report of a pistol and Constantinos staggered from the room and fell at the door to the kitchen. He told the women that Pantelie had shot him.

"The women said they heard but one shot, but an autopsy performed yesterday afternoon disclosed the fact that three shots had been fired, and all had taken effect in the vicinity of the heart. The women declare that they did not see Pantelie leave the house. Both told the same story and I believe what they say."

"Do you think that Pantelie will try to reach his old home?" asked the reporter.

"I do not think so," replied Mr. Gouzoulas. "I do not think he will come to Lowell because too many people know him, but I do not believe that he will leave this country."

HERMIT IS DEAD

John Wilkins Did Not Regain Consciousness

John Wilkins, the hermit who was found unconscious in his hut near the Southern New Hampshire car barn in Salem, N. H., Tuesday morning, died yesterday. He never regain consciousness.

The man had been in a helpless condition several days before entrance was forced to the small house which he occupied alone. Curiosity was aroused Tuesday morning by the finding of several milk bottles on his doorstep, which had not been disturbed after being left by the milkman. This discovery led up to an investigation, resulting in finding Wilkins in the house unconscious. In his clothing was found $25 in money.

The man was 52 years old. He formerly lived in Concord, N. H., and came to Salem not long ago. He is said to have been worth considerable money and could have had more desirable quarters in which to spend his last days had he been so inclined. He is survived by a sister.

While in Concord he was under a guardian, ex-Mayor Martin. Mr. Martin visited the afflicted man yesterday.

Wilkins never spoke after being discovered in an unconscious condition Tuesday. He was attended by two Salem physicians, but they were unable to state the exact cause of his illness. It is supposed, however, to have been due to natural causes, as he was in poor health when he came from Concord.

The body will be taken to Concord for burial.

NO NEW CARRIERS

Service in Lowell Will be Crippled

As exclusively stated in The Sun several weeks ago, Congressman Butler Ames has failed to secure additional letter carriers for this city, and this means that Lowell will get poorer service until more carriers are added by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow. Postmaster Albert G. Thompson has done all in his power to have the local carrier force increased, but evidently Congressman Ames could not impress on Mr. Bristow the need of new carriers.

Postmaster Thompson received word from Washington that his request could not be granted and the only thing that now remains to be done is the cutting down of the number of deliveries on a number of routes. The routes which have been receiving three deliveries daily will be reduced to two and it is understood that a number of the outlying districts will suffer.

It will be remembered that Postmaster Thompson petitioned the free delivery department for six carriers and in order to try and get an addition to the force made a flying trip to Washington. Postmaster Thompson was promised that inspectors would be sent to this city to look over the different routes and if more carriers were needed they would be put on. Several inspectors came to Lowell but their stay here was too short to cover the ground. After remaining here a couple of days the inspectors departed and probably their report influenced Assistant Postmaster General Bristow in sending his refusal to Postmaster Thompson.

During the entire winter the conditions were such that many routes suffered for the want of regular deliveries and in some parts of the city but one delivery was made during the day. According to the postal laws a carrier is not allowed to work more than eight hours and in order to put in but eight hours the delivery in many sections of the city was slighted.

The extraordinary conditions existing in this city make it impossible for the force at the present time to properly cover the city and while the carriers have been doing their best to cover the routes the required number of times daily, they have found it impossible to do so.

The regular carriers are not disturbed at all over the edict from Washington, for they are supposed to work eight hours and no more, but an addition in the force would mean considerable to the members of the substitute force. When the inspectors were here it is understood that they said that where three deliveries were made daily there should be but two, and probably this was the cause of the refusal to make an addition to the force.

APPROPRIATIONS

Orders for Them Not Yet Signed

Mayor Howe has not yet signed the appropriations orders which have been on his desk several days and some of the heads of departments have taken the mayor's delay as a sign that his honor intends to veto the orders as they now stand. But those who profess to know state that did his honor intend to veto the orders he would have done so before the meeting of the board of aldermen last Tuesday, and not held the matters up so long. He is either waiting until the last day of grace allowed him in which to sign or else does not want to go on record and intends to allow the measure to become law without his signature. The mayor is allowed 10 days in which to act and the matter has not yet been before him that long.

When asked about the orders this afternoon Private Secretary Cheney said: "There may be something doing on those matters tomorrow," which may mean any one of several things.

EXCITING RUNAWAY

DR. IRISH'S HORSE ATTRACTED A LARGE CROWD.

Dr. Irish's horse, attached to a top buggy, started from the front of the Fiske block on Central street this noon and dashed past Towers' corner at great speed. Turning down Church street the animal collided first with an iron post then with the wagon of Carroll Bros. and soon after brought up between a stone post and a light pole, breaking loose from the wagon. The horse was caught soon after without doing any further damage. The harness was broken up, and the buggy badly wrenched. The runaway attracted a crowd of several hundred people.

FRANK GOING

EX-CITY MESSENGER IS VISITING IN TOWN AGAIN.

Ex-City Messenger J. Frank Going was among the callers on Mayor Howe at City Hall this afternoon. Mr. Going for the past three years has been running a hotel at White River Junction, but the place being a trifle slow he is looking around for an opening in this city. He is in fine health and looks well.

MERRIMACK RIVER

THE WATER HAS DROPPED A LITTLE.

The water in the Merrimack river has not risen any today, if anything it has dropped a little. The water is now running about four feet over the dam or one foot over the flashboards, and is about two feet higher than it was a couple of weeks ago.

The small amount of rain and the cold spells together with the gradual melting of the snow has kept the water in the river from rising rapidly.

LITTLE DAMAGE

DONE BY THIS AFTERNOON'S FIRE.

An alarm from box 225 shortly after 2.30 o'clock this afternoon summoned a portion of the fire department to a blaze in a kitchen in a building owned by the Jeremiah Lynch estate in Suffolk street, near Broadway. The fire was caused by clothes falling from a line to a stove. There was no damage to the building, the only loss being the burning of some of the clothes.

DEATHS

DUNNIGAN—Mrs. Jane F. Dunnigan, a much esteemed member of St. Michael's church, died this noon at her home, 4 Roosevelt place, off Coburn street, aged 63 years. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Mitchell of Lynn and the Misses Jennie and Annie Dunnigan, of this city; two sons, Stephen of Buffalo, N. Y., and Philip, and one sister, Mrs. Simon Flynn. Deceased was the mother of the late John Dunnigan.

HER FINGERS BRUISED.

Nellie Martin, residing at 473 School street, while at work in a local laundry this afternoon, had two fingers of her left hand caught in a steam mangle, bruising them badly. She was taken to the Emergency hospital where they were dressed.

Probation Officer Edward F. Slattery of this city, with Mrs. Leonora M. Lake, of the Catholic Total Abstinence union of America, is to address a temperance meeting in Roxbury tonight.

REV. FR. LEONARD

WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO LAWRENCE.

LAWRENCE, Mass., March 10—Word has been received at St. Mary's parochial residence that Rev. John A. Leonard had been transferred to Lawrence and will in future be assistant pastor of St. Mary's church.

Fr. Leonard was born in this city and was educated in the public schools, graduating from the High school with the class of '85.

Fr. Leonard is a brother of Prof. Thomas F. Leonard, organist at St. Mary's church, and of Rev. D. J. Leonard, who was recently transferred from this city to Cambridge, N. Y.

Recently Fr. John Leonard was appointed master of novices at Villanova college. He is a very good preacher, and like the rest of his family, an excellent musician. He will arrive in Lawrence today and will begin his duties at St. Mary's church Saturday. His many friends will give him a warm reception, as he is very popular in this city.

RUSSELL INDICTED

CHARGED WITH BREAKING INTO HOUSES IN LOWELL.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 10—On the charge of defrauding the principals of various private schools in Massachusetts by forging and uttering checks, James M. Webb was indicted in six counts today by the Middlesex county grand jury, which reported before Judge Sherman. Webb pleaded not guilty. His physical condition was such that he had to be carried into court. Frank Russell was indicted in eight counts on the charge of breaking and entering students' dormitories in Cambridge and houses in Waltham and Lowell. Edward A. Reagan of Cambridge was indicted for alleged manslaughter in having caused the death of John Currie at Cambridge in November.

True bills were found in the following Lowell cases:

Michael Kelley, breaking and entering; L. Leblanc, breaking and entering; John J. McKelly, forgery and uttering, and Henry F. Smith, larceny from a building.

GIL DID NOT ARRIVE.

NEW YORK, March 10—Wos y Gil, former president of Santo Domingo, who it was reported was coming to New York, incognito on the steamer Buenos Ayres from Havana, did not arrive on that vessel whose passengers were landed today. It was reported that ex-President Gil sailed from San Juan, P. R, March 2, on the Montserrat, which he left at Havana, but he did not embark on the Buenos Ayres, which sailed a short time after.

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10 lbs. Best Granulated Sugar 48c

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Best Yellow-Eye Beans ..... 10c qt.
Best Kidney Beans ..... 11c qt.
Best Canada Peas ..... 7c qt.
Best Scotch Green Peas ..... 7c qt.
Best Lima Beans ..... 7c lb.
3 lb. can Baked Beans 7c
Imported English Bloaters, 25c doz.
Full Cream Cheese ..... 13c lb.
Kennedy's Common Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Ginger Snaps ..... 5c lb.
Kennedy's Tea Biscuits ..... 8c lb.
Kennedy's Fig Bars ..... 10c lb.
Kennedy's Oyster Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Lemon Crackers, 5c lb
Very Good Tea ..... 20c lb.
Very Best Tea (all flavors), 40c lb.
Very Good Coffee ..... 15c lb.
Very Best Pure Java and Mocha ..... 25c lb.

N. B.—We sell Teas in quantities 25 per cent. cheaper than any house in the city.

All goods guaranteed. Prompt delivery to all parts of Lowell.

DEPUTY INJURED

Mob Made Attack on the Jail

MURPHYSBORO, Ill., March 10—A mob from Carbondale made an attempt to take Thomas Vaughn, a mulatto from the county jail here today, intending to lynch him. Sheriff Thorp was warned by telephone of the mob's departure for Carbondale, and with Deputy Jack Woodward, waited in the second story of the jail. When the mob approached the jail door they were dispersed with shots from the windows above.

The officers captured Jeff Etherton, Josh Walker and Dock Lightfoot, all of whom were released on bail. Walker was questioned and said the intention was to call Sheriff Thorp to the door, overpower him and secure the negro without bloodshed.

Deputy Woodward's gun fell to the floor and was discharged, the charge tearing his right arm so that amputation was necessary.

Vaughn is a prisoner charged with criminal assault upon a Carbondale school teacher. She is still in a serious condition. There is no further excitement here.

AGAINST EXPORTATION OF RUSSIAN HORSES

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—An imperial ukas has been issued prohibiting the exportation of horses from Russia until further notice. Even for the exportation of single horses with pedigrees permission from the head of the remount department must be obtained.

RUSSIAN OFFICERS RECEIVE HONORS

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—The commanders of the Russian warships Variag and Korletz have had conferred upon them the decoration of the military order of St. George of the fourth classes on account of their heroic conduct in the engagement with the Japanese at Chemulpo. The other officers and crews of the vessels have been given minor decorations, including crosses of the order of St. George.

JAPANESE SQUADRON HAD TO RETIRE

PORT ARTHUR, March 10—A message from the signal station at 11 o'clock last night announced the appearance of a Japanese squadron on the horizon. Fifty minutes later the shore batteries opened fire on the Japanese vessels. A gale sprang up and the attacking fleet soon withdrew.

CAPTURED CREWS GIVEN FREEDOM

NAGASAKI, March 10—The crews of the merchant vessels captured by Japanese warships since the war began have just been released and in all 400 Russians, Chinese and Germans have been turned over to various consuls to be sent back to their own countries. Forty of the officers taken at the same time still remain at Sasebo.

The coal cargo of the Norwegian steamer Hermes has been released.

KAMIMURA'S REPORT OF BOMBARDMENT

TOKIO, March 10—The full report of Vice Admiral Kamimura, who commands the second Japanese squadron, says:

"As pre-arranged we reached the east entrance to Vladivostok on the morning of March 6 through a frozen sea. The enemy's ships were not seen outside the harbor. We approached the batteries and northeast coast from a point beyond the range of the batteries on the Balzan promontory and Bosphorus strait. After bombarding the inner harbor 40 minutes, from 1.30 o'clock in the afternoon, we retired. I believe the bombardment effected considerable damage. Soldiers were seen but the land batteries did not reply to our fire. Black smoke was observed at the east entrance to the harbor about 5 o'clock p. m., and was thought to be from the enemy's ships, but this smoke gradually disappeared. On the morning of March 7 we reconnoitred in America bay and Strelok bay, but saw nothing unusual. We approached the entrance to Vladivostok at noon. The enemy's ships were invisible and the batteries did not fire. We turned toward Possiet bay, but not seeing the enemy, retired."

YOKOHAMA HARBOR IS HEAVILY MINED

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—A cablegram was received yesterday at the Merchants exchange from Captain Rivers of the American ship A. G. Ropes at Yokohama, who states that upon his arrival off that port from New York he had to lie off and on for five days, being unable to secure a pilot.

He further reports that the entrance to the harbor of Yokohama is heavily mined and that while he was outside, five shots were fired across his vessel's bows from the harbor forts.

FUNG WANG CHANG CAPTURED BY JAPS

LONDON, March 10.—No further news has reached London of the reported fighting at Port Arthur or of the fate of the Russian Vladivostok squadron. Up to a late hour last night the Japanese legation here had heard nothing of these reported occurrences, but it is considered significant that none of the Russian official despatches makes any mention of the Vladivostok cruisers. The news from Washington of the appearance of Japanese forces at Fung Wang Chang are about 45 miles northwest of the Yalu river, is regarded as most important.

According to the Tien Tsin correspondent of the Daily Telegraph the Japanese advanced from the Yalu river capturing Fung Wang Chang, and drove out the Russians in the vicinity to the Ta Ku Ling eastern pass and are in force 70 miles east of New Chwang. The Russians, with 35,000 men are entrenched strongly at Liao Yang and Hai Chang, where fighting is imminent. Some small engagements already have been fought, the Russians retiring with losses.

This correspondent says further that the Japanese are using the same tactics and advancing along the same route they followed during the Chinese war.

The Yin Kow correspondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald also vaguely reports the Japanese to be fifty miles northwest of Antung and well to the westward of the Yalu river.

This is the only news on this subject yet received in London and to some of the military critics it is inconceivable that Japan really can have executed such a sudden, unexpected and successful turning of the Russian position on the Yalu river, which is thought would have necessitated the employment of a much larger force than it is believed Japan can possibly have at this point.

RUSSIAN FAMILIES LEAVE YIN KOW

YIN KOW, March 10.—The families of Russian officials have departed.

Siege and field guns are being mounted on the Chinese fort on the east bank of the Liao river.

Gen. Kondratovich is to arrive today. He will establish the headquarters of his five regiments at New Chwang.

ALL IS QUIET AT VLADIVOSTOK

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—4.45 p. m.—The only piece of important news up to this hour today from the seat of war was The Associated Press despatch from Port Arthur announcing a fresh attack on that place by the Japanese fleet. The despatch contained no details.

Another telegram to the Associated Press from Vladivostok has been received. It makes no mention of fighting and it is assumed that all is quiet there.

LAND BATTLE IS NOW IMMINENT

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10.—The reports that the Japanese have entered Manchuria west of the Yalu river and have reached Fenghuancheng on the Pekin road, which is the Russian line of communication to the Yalu, cannot be confirmed. If the information proves true a land engagement of some magnitude cannot long be delayed, as the Russians have a heavy force south of the line, between Liao Yang and Mukden and they are also occupying strong positions along the Yalu. A Japanese column between them would be in a desperate strait unless it moved by the flank to take the Russians on the Yalu in the rear and was energetically supported by a forward Japanese movement from Korea.

JAPAN EXPECTS HELP FROM CHINA

ST. PETERSBURG, March 10—The Novosti declares Japan is beginning to lose her illusions regarding Anglo-American support, but still looks to China, forgetting that Chinese intervention will be the signal for the interference of European powers.

JAPANESE STEAMER REPORTED WRECKED

YOKOHAMA, March 10—The Japanese steamer Shinshiu-Maru has been wrecked off Chemulpo, Korea. Both ship and cargo were totally lost.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ADVISES NEUTRALITY

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Pres. Roosevelt after a conference with Sec. Hay issued the following executive order concerning the observance of the proclamation recently promulgated declaring the neutrality of the United States between Russia and Japan, the two combatant nations in the far eastern war now in progress:

"All officials of the government, civil, military and naval, are hereby directed not only to observe the present neutrality in the pending war between Russia and Japan, but also to abstain from either action or speech which can legitimately cause irritation to either of the combatants. The government of the United States represents the people of the United States not only in the sincerity with which it is endeavoring to keep the scales of neutrality exact and even, but in the sincerity with which it deplores the breaking out of the present war and hopes that it will end at the earliest possible moment and with the smallest possible loss to those engaged. Such a war inevitably increases and inflames the susceptibilities of the combatants to anything in the nature of an injury or slight by outsiders. Too often combatants make conflicting claims as to the duties and obligations of neutrals, so that even when discharging these duties and obligations with scrupulous care it is difficult to avoid giving offense to one or the other party. To such unavoidable causes of offense, due to the performance of national duty, there must not be added any avoidable causes. It is always unfortunate to bring old world antipathies and jealousies into our life, or by speech or conduct to excite anger and resentment toward our nation in friendly foreign lands; but in a government employe, whose official position makes him in one sense the representative of the people, the mischief of such actions is greatly increased. A strong and self-confident nation should be peculiarly careful not only of the rights but of the susceptibilities of its neighbors; and nowadays all of the nations of the world are neighbor to the other. Courtesies, moderation and self-restraint should mark international, no less than private intercourse.

"All the officials of the government, civil, military and naval, are expected so to carry themselves both in act and in deed as to give no cause of just offense to the people of any foreign and friendly power, and with all mankind we are now in friendship.

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

"White House, March 10, 1904."

HUNGARIAN DIET

Obstructionists Give Up the Fight

BUDAPEST, Hungary, March 10—The obstructionist members of the Hungarian diet have given up their fight and the business of parliament will be permitted to proceed.

The scene in the lower house today when the hatchet was at least temporarily buried was extraordinary.

To the surprise of the house a member of the Kossuth party, Herr Koloman Thaly at the opening of the session urgently appealed to the obstructionists not to further oppose the recruiting bill, partly on account of hardship it would cause the army reserve men and partly so that the premier might be induced to abandon the proposals of the president of the house to enact more stringent rules for the conduct of the business of the house.

Enthusiastic cheering greeted the appeal and this was renewed when Herr Thaly left the opposition benches, proceeded to the ministerial side of the house, and amid long applause, shook hands with Premier Tisza. Many of the deputies were so overjoyed at the termination of the long drawn feud that they wept. The president of the house was so overcome with emotion that he suspended the sitting.

Public opinion, he thought, would recognize that they had carried on the struggle for the use of the Hungarian tongue in the army so long as possible, but that they had been compelled by failing strength to give up the fight.

The premier met the obstructionists half way. He said that to make any comment would be to mar the solemnity of the occasion. The premier then asked the house to forget he had proposed enacting more stringent rules of procedure.

Prolonged applause closed the scene.

TANK EXPLODED

Jewish Synagogue Was Practically Destroyed

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 10.—A hot water tank in the new Jewish synagogue of Chesed Shel Emeth which was dedicated last Sunday exploded this morning at about half past four.

A little fire was left last night in a stove which is used for heating water in a large cylinder tank and it is thought that this fire was fanned by the high wind during the night so that the water boiled and exploded the tank.

The bottom was blown out of the tank, knocking over the stove and setting fire to some loose wood.

The walls of the room were blown out and doors were torn from their hinges by the force of the explosion. Up stairs the floors were strained and the shades on the gas chandeliers were thrown down and broken. Windows in the next house were broken.

The damage is estimated at about $1500. As the insurance on the building was for fires it is doubtful if the company will settle.

PRES. ROOSEVELT

HAD A TALK WITH GENERAL BRISTOW.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—By appointment, Speaker Cannon and Rep. Overstreet, chairman of the house committee on postoffices and post roads, and an extended conference with the president today. Except that the interview related to the situation in congress created by the report of the postoffice department, on the inquiry into the affairs of the department, no statement regarding it was made. Speaker Cannon intimated that undue importance was being attached to the report of the department, but neither he nor Mr. Overstreet would make a specific statement.

Other members of congress, including Senators Penrose, chairman of the senate committee on postoffices and post roads, Elkins and Rep. Chas. Lamlis of Indiana, had talks with the president in which they discussed the postoffice affairs.

The president sent for Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow and later in the day had a conference with him. No information is obtainable at the white house concerning the situation in congress.

COLOMBIA'S CLAIMS.

PARIS, March 10.—The arguments in the case of Colombia against the Panama Canal Co., were continued before the first chamber of the tribunal of the Seine throughout the day. Maitre Brunet further set forth Colombia's claims against the transfer of the concession.

BOURKE COCKRAN

Gets Important Committee Place

WASHINGTON, March 10—The speaker announced the appointment of W. Bourke Cockran of New York as a member of the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Finley (S. C.) then was recognized and announced the death of his colleague, George William Croft. The usual resolutions of sympathy and regret were presented and adopted.

Mr. Overstreet (Ind.) secured unanimous consent for a continuation tomorrow of the order limiting debate on the report of the post office department involving representatives and senators until 4 o'clock.

The speaker announced a committee to represent the house at the funeral of the late Mr. Croft, and as a further mark of respect the house at 12.10 p. m. adjourned.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, March 10—Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, and his daughter were interested spectators at the beginning of the session of the senate today.

In the course of the routine business the senate reached the resolution introduced by Mr. Carmack directing the secretary of the treasury to send the senate the papers relating to the nomination of B. Smith Woolley the Mormon bishop whose nomination to be superintendent of the assay office at Boise Idaho is pending before the senate. It looked for a few moments as if there would be an animated skirmish over the method of consideration, but the question was postponed for a day.

Mr. Allison moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on finance.

Mr. Hoar raised the question of order that as the resolution pertains to a presidential nomination it should be considered in executive session and at the suggestion of Mr. Nelson that owing to the fact that today had been set apart for Alaskan legislation the consideration of the resolution was postponed.

Mr. Hoar gave notice that he would make and Mr. Allison that he would second a motion to consider the resolution in executive session when it comes up.

Bills were passed authorizing the award of brevet commissions for gallant conduct on the part of army officers in China and the Philippines; increasing to $100 per month the pensions of ex-soldiers and ex-sailors of the United States who have lost both eyes or become totally blind on account of their services. In connection with the pension bill Mr. McCumber, chairman of the committee on pensions, stated that 600 cases were covered by the provisions of the bill and that the increased cost to the government would be $101,600 annually.

SAN FRANCISCO

PRACTICALLY ISOLATED BY RECORD BREAKING WIND.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 10.—A record breaking wind has practically isolated San Francisco. Telegraphic communication with that city was entirely cut off from the north and east.

NEGROES STRIKE

THEY WANT INCREASE OF $30 A MONTH.

ST. LOUIS, March 10—A strike of negro deckhands to enforce a demand for an increase in wages from $45 to $75 per month a few minutes before the schedule time for the departure of the steamer Grey Eagle today resulted in the hiring of 40 Austrians through an employment agency and rivermen declare this marks the beginning of the passing of negro deckhands. Other packet lines say they will follow the lead of the Eagle Packet company and hire white crews.

ANOTHER IROQUOIS VICTIM.

CHICAGO, March 10.—Another name has been added to the death list of the Iroquois disaster. Mrs. Elizabeth Carrington died today of injuries received in the theatre fire.

$3,000,000 LOAN.

LIMA, Peru, March 10.—At a secret session of the chamber of deputies yesterday the finance minister announced that a loan of $3,000,000 would be raised in the United States. A credit bill providing for the loan will probably be passed today.

"KID" ELY ARRESTED.

CHICAGO, March 10—The arrest of "Kid" Ely at Buffalo, N. Y., it is believed here, may reveal the hiding place of Miss Florence Ely and the child, Frank Ely Rogers, who disappeared in 1901 from the home of James Rogers, a wealthy resident of Evanston. Ely is a brother of Miss Ely and an uncle of the child.

MURDERER RECAPTURED.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 10—Mark Dunn, the murderer who was sentenced to be hanged here Friday and who escaped Monday last, was reported at midnight to have been recaptured at Guilford. He will be brought to St. Joseph Thursday and will be hanged Friday morning.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

FRANKLIN FALLS, N. H., March 10—Shepard's block, a three-story wooden building, was burned early today, causing a loss of $10,000, fully insured. The fire is supposed to have started from an overheated chimney. The block was occupied by Shepard Bros., groceries, and several smaller stores.

BANK OF BENGAL.

CALCUTTA, March 10—The Bank of Bengal's rate of discount was reduced today from 7 to 6 per cent.

Cleveland's Baking Powder is a pure, cream of tartar powder,—no alum. It does perfect work every time,—no failures. The housewife who uses Cleveland's Baking Powder knows the pleasure of serving the finest hot-breads, cake and pastry.

See that the *Shield of Quality* is on the Box

WELSBACH CO.

If you want a good mantle buy the genuine Welsbach. If you don't care--take what the dealer gives you.

5 All Dealers

Best Coal in Lowell

SOLD BY THE

WHOLEY COAL CO.

Office, 1075 Gorham Street.

Telephone 1086-2.

TWO FRAUDS.

The merchant who would try to sell a pair of shoes without opening the box in which they came from the factory, would be regarded as a fraud and a trickster, and the newspaper which denies to the advertiser all the information he desires in reference to its circulation, must not expect the confidence of its patrons.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable, the Justices of the Superior Court, within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents William L. Sheridan of South Framingham in said county, that he was lawfully married to Ellen M. Sheridan, now of parts unknown, at Southboro, said commonwealth, on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1897, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Ellen M. lived together as husband and wife in this commonwealth, to wit, at South Framingham, said commonwealth that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Ellen M. being wholly regardless of the same, at South Framingham on or about the 2nd day of June, A. D., 1900, utterly deserted your libellant and that said utter desertion has continued for more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Ellen M. also there was born to your libellant of this marriage, Evelyn M. Sheridan, September 19th A. D., 1898, and your libellant prays that said minor child may be committed to his care and custody.

Dated this 18th. day of February, A. D., 1904.

WILLIAM L. SHERIDAN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.

Superior Court, Feb. 24, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said county, on the first Monday of April next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the county of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of John L. Currier, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for probate by Catherine Currier, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate court to be held at Cambridge, in said county of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of March, A. D. 1904, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first judge of said court, this seventh day of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred and four.

W. E. ROGERS, Asst. Register.

Office of the Board of Police,

Lowell, Mass., March 9, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that all persons desiring to apply for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors under the provisions of Chapter 100 of the Revised Laws, can obtain blank forms at this office, which should be filled out in accordance with the requirements therein specified, and be returned to this office not later than 12 o'clock m., March 19, 1904. Each license application must be accompanied by an advertising fee of $4.00 for each license.

The following tariff of fees for licenses will be charged for the license year of 1904-5:

1st Class license as Innholder	$1500
1st Class license as Common Victualler	$1300
4th Class license as Retail Dealer	$500
4th Class license as Wholesale Dealer	$1500
5th Class license as Brewer	$1500
6th Class license as Druggist	$1
7th Class license as Dealer in Paints and Chemicals	$1

Applications for licenses as innholders must be accompanied by certificates from the state inspector showing that the building to be licensed complies with the requirements of the state law. Applications for licenses of the Sixth Class—druggist must be accompanied by a certificate from the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy issued in the name of the applicant.

Applications for licenses of the Sixth and Seventh Classes must be filed at this office not later than March 26, 1904.

All communications, protests, remonstrances and objections relative to applicants for licenses, or premises to be licensed, must be filed in writing at this office to the board of police, or their clerk, for them.

The Board of Police declines to grant licenses of the Second and Third Classes. The locations asked for, as well as the applicant, will enter into the consideration of the Board in granting licenses. Applicants are advised to select the premises they desire to occupy throughout the year, and should incur no expense in fitting them up, until they have been inspected by the board.

The office of the Board of Police is open daily from 9 to 12 m., and from 2 to 5 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 to 12 m., and all inquiries for information should be made there.

The regular meetings of the Board of Police are held every Tuesday evening in its office at 8 o'clock p. m., when and where all business pertaining to the licensing of the sale of intoxicating liquors will receive due attention; and at no other time and place will said business be given any consideration.

Applicants are notified that all offices, screens, pictures, boxes and exhibits of goods, and obstruction of all and every character must be removed and kept removed, so that a clear and uninterrupted view of the bar and the interior of the premises can be obtained from the street. Officers will inspect and report upon the condition of the premises before licenses are granted and the existence of such obstructions will be an absolute bar to receiving a license. No license will be granted on premises where an office is built between the window and the bar.

FRANK B. DOW,
HARRY R. RICE,
FISHER H. PEARSON,
Board of Police.

SPECIAL NOTICES

MISS M. COGNAC, 28 Aiken street, room 23—Cloak and dress maker; perfect work and fitting guaranteed and at moderately low price.

DOUBLE STAMPS, Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 20 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 66 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union Station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 9, 1904. The Committee on Towns will give a hearing to parties interested in House bill No. 483 to authorize the town of Belmont to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for school purposes, at room No. 428, State House, on Tuesday, March 15, at 11 o'clock a. m. Geo. N. Goff, Chairman. A. M. Chaffee, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

WANTED - Millinery makers at Hurd & Garland's, 145 Merrimack street, over Ginter's grocery store. Apply at once.

WANTED—Boy at the Reliable Cooper's Cloak and Suit store, 320 Merrimack St.

WANTED—Men used to farm work at Shedd's gardens, So. Lowell, Mass.

LADIES—That embroidery, crochet or knit can earn $12 weekly working for us at home; addressed envelope for free sample of work and designs. Mexican Co., 132 Nassau street, N. Y.

WANTED—A middle aged woman to keep house for small family. Call after 6 o'clock, 129 Fayette street.

WANTED—A woman cook for boarding house. Call at 78 Appleton street.

$12 WEEKLY; home work two hours daily; no outfit to buy; send addressed envelope for instructions. Nassau Supply Co., 150 Nassau St., New York.

HOME WORK—$9 weekly during spare time; no canvassing, experience or money needed; enclose stamp for outfit, instructions, etc. Address Universal Co., 325 W. 23d street, New York.

WANTED—Young man 16 to 18 years to learn light manufacturing business. Box 357.

WANTED

WANTED—Board and room in private family, near center of the city by a young lady. Address "Home," Sun office.

WANTED—Everybody in Billerica to buy Zomo Washing Fluid of J. S. Walsh. Makes washing easy.

WANTED—Carpentering, paperhanging, whitewashing, all kinds of repairs. Address All-Round Mechanic, 1 Charles street court.

MRS. A. BLANCHARD'S new lying-in hospital at 688 Pleasant street, Drapers Centre, is now all equipped for patients. Telephone 734-4.

WANTED—For cash, a place 5 to 20 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell. Mr. Dalton. Call 6 to 9 p. m.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhas, room 9, Barristers hall.

TO LET

IF YOU are thinking of moving this spring come and see what we can offer you in a tidy, comfortable tenement for small money; if you want an extra healthful home of from three to five rooms where you will have quiet, self-respecting neighbors, call and see us. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

TO LET—Pleasant furnished room, gas and bath, private family. 522 Central street.

TO LET—A restaurant; also an apartment of five rooms with bath. Branch street, cor. Nichols.

TO LET—Flat of six rooms, bath and pantry, hot water. Inquire in the afternoon between 2 and 4 at 470 Rogers street.

TO LET—Tenement of four or five rooms, 136 Smith street. Apply 31 Gorham street.

TO LET—Two two-room tenements. Inquire 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Best located room in city for one or two; modern conveniences. Also smaller room, reasonable. No. 271 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8. G. P. Walker, 961 Middlesex street.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN - To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex street, room 18, Lowell.

POULTRY—Homing pigeons wanted; send lowest cash price and number of birds. Address P., Sun office.

POULTRY—Fancy pigeons to exchange for homers. Call evenings or Sundays, A. Hamilton, 403 Mammoth road.

THE SUN Is on Sale At both Newstands In the Union Station BOSTON

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Cheap, cobbler's repairing machine, Singer. Apply 51 Sydney street.

370 BRIDGE STREET, White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies, before buying try our Automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; good second hand machines on hand; give us a call.

FOR SALE—Hard, soft, and kindling wood at Eugene Paquin's, 187 Chelmsford street.

FOR SALE—Almost new runabout buggy, pneumatic tires, used very little last summer; also a Whitman riding saddle. Apply at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, cost $260 last fall; will sell for about one-half that price, as I have no use for it now. Inquire G. M., Sun office.

FOR SALE—New milch Jersey cows. Apply A. Fells, 989 Lakeview avenue.

FOR SALE—A boarding house, rooms all occupied at present, at 238 Appleton street; if sold at once will let it go at $150; there are 12 rooms in the house and all furnished; sickness the only cause for wanting to sell. Inquire at 238 Appleton street.

FOR SALE—Very large boarding and lodging house, centrally located, very near P. O., all modern conveniences, hot and cold water, steam heat, gas; best location in city; doing big business at present. Further particulars at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. H. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 2½c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 158 Merrimack St.

CASH REGISTERS

The best is none too good. The Hallwood is the best. Not made by a trust. Easy payments. Room 45 Donovan bldg.

MISCELLANEOUS

STORAGE—First class storage room for furniture; private rooms from $3 to $4 a month, according to size, at 256 Hildreth street. Call there or at 197 Merrimack street.

LAWN MOWERS sharpened and repaired, 75c and $1. James Moulton, 24 Davis street.

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant card reader and ladies' employment office, 555 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MOTHERS—Rent's Destroyer kills lice on children and all insects; cures dandruff and itching scalp; prevents falling hair; harmless, 25c. Only at Falls & Burkinshaw's, 417 Middlesex street.

MADAME LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weakly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MME WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2¼ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills, Corner Store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN, ATTENTION!—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padien, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1064 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Rondall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 125 Middlesex street.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year; Repairing a specialty. 251 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co's, 160 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGouvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

REGISTERED DRUG CLERK, willing and reliable, wants situation. Address "Drugs," Sun office.

WANTED—Situation as table girl in restaurant or at kitchen work. Would work in bakery. Inquire at 25 Lawrence street.

WANTED—A situation as coachman. Inquire at this office.

WANTED—A situation at housework in city or country, with boy old enough to do light chores. Address M. M. S., general delivery, Lowell post office.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 89 Crosby street.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—St. Bernard dog. Return 112 Jefferson street.

LOST—A pair of glasses between Bridge, Gorham and corner of Winter street. Return to 48 Floyd street.

FOUND—A female fox terrier. Owner can have by proving property and paying for this adv. at 60 Bartlett street.

LOST—A traveling bag containing silverware. Finder return to room 17, Gildden building, and receive reward.

BOARD OF TRADE

Held Annual Banquet Last Evening

LIEUT.-GOV. GUILD WAS PRINCIPAL SPEAKER

Japan and Russia Commercial Foes

The Lowell board of trade banquet in Odd Fellows' temple last evening was, from point of attendance, probably the most successful in the history of the board. Lieut. Gov. Curtis Guild was the principal speaker. The welcome was extended by Pres. Charles H. Conant, and prayer was offered by Rev. C. W. Huntington.

A reception was held in the rooms adjoining the banquet hall from 6.15 to 6.45 o'clock. The march to the banquet hall started at 7 o'clock with Pres. Conant and the lieutenant-governor in the lead.

When cigars were lighted President Conant presented Mayor Howe, who received a very hearty welcome.

MAYOR CHARLES E. HOWE.

Mayor Howe said: "After the very flattering introduction of my friend, the president, you might expect something remarkable from me in the line of a speech, but you will have to suffer a disappointment, because you will be more pleased to hear from those who are to follow." After brief remarks in which he expressed his hope that Lowell would get her share of good things in the line of new industries, Mayor Howe gave way to the next speaker.

PRESIDENT STATE BOARD OF TRADE.

Charles E. Adams, president of the state board of trade, was introduced. He said in part:

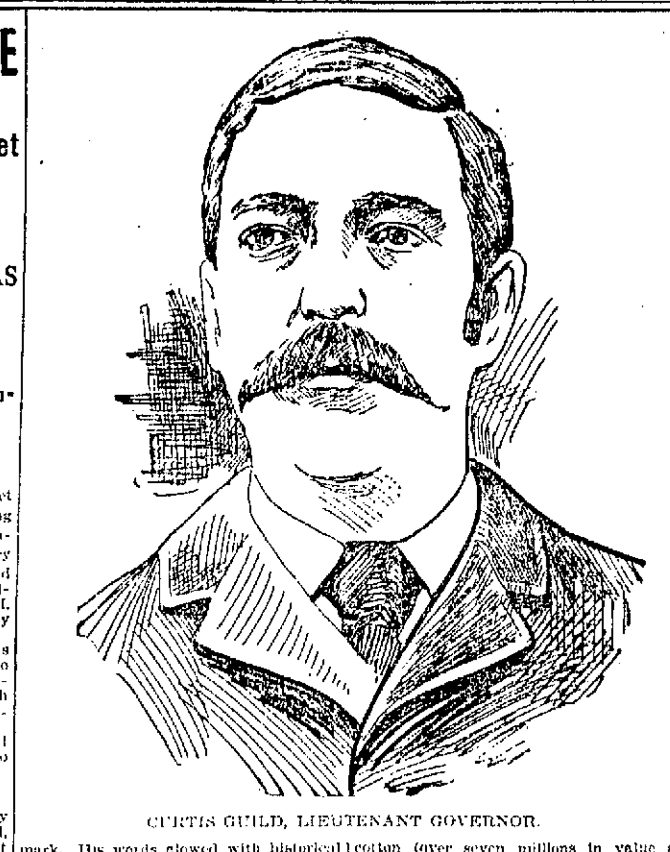
"We have the strongest aggregation of business men throughout Massachusetts of any other organization." In speaking of the work of the state board of trade, Mr. Adams expressed his belief in the power of numbers. The power of the individual, he said, was weak, while three or four work up to a leverage power. He spoke of the power of the Springfield board of trade, numerically, and hoped that Lowell would not fail to appreciate the worth and efforts of her local board. He spoke of the necessity of having business men at the head of the department of commerce and labor and regretted that the department didn't have more business and commercial knowledge at the helm. He referred to the hearing on the trading stamps in Boston a few days ago and declared it one of the very best hearings ever held at the state house. The speaker referred to a legislation now steeping, that will call for a statement of the assets and liabilities of cities and towns; yearly, as is exacted from corporations. He understood, he said, that such legislation would be frowned upon by a certain class of politicians.

HON. W. R. WALKER.

Hon. W. R. Walker of New York was next introduced. He dwelt at considerable length upon the home life in towns, cities and country districts, and tarried with the fact that only a few years ago 67 per cent. of the population lived in the country districts and that now, the table stands reversed, with numbers in favor of the city, giving it the 67 per cent. that was once the country district's claim. He paid tribute to the history, drama and patriotism of Massachusetts. He spoke extemporaneously and his words were eloquently impressive. Into his speech were woven gems of thought, historical, personal and patriotic. It teemed with a mother's sentiment and overflowed with the joy that a son felt in the fond recollections of a mother's interest and a mother's joy.

His mother's sentiment was his guiding star and the flame of its influence has not yet felt the shadow of other thoughts, though he has passed the half century mark. His words glowed with historical reminiscence, and the very important and sensational movements of the country's history were restored to a peculiar freshness by the power of his eloquence.

He expressed his belief in Puritanical virtues and stood aghast at such success as is achieved by the power of trickery and deceit. Into his speech were incorporated personal experiences that lent a charm to the memory of events, national and otherwise.



CURTIS GUILD, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

TRADE WITH THE ORIENT.

Mr. Guild, the speaker of the evening, in the course of an illustrated lecture on our trade with the Orient, said in part:

At present we are all interested, of course, in the war in the east. Russia is seeking on the Pacific as in the Levant an outlet to the sea. Japan is seeking expansion for the millions now crowding her islands by an acquisition of the mainland to the west.

It is for the interest of this country, of course, that Northern China, Manchuria, should maintain an open door for our products now flowing thither in such abundance.

Our exports to the Chinese empire and Hong Kong together amounted in value in 1903 to $27,384,110. Ten years ago in 1893 they were but $8,117,059.

Our business today with Russia and Japan compares as follows, the year being the fiscal year ending June 30:

UNITED STATES EXPORTS.

1903.

TO RUSSIA.

Baltic and White seas	$13,399,370
Black sea	2,723,258
Russian China	681,758
Asiatic Russia	802,428
Total	$17,606,812

TO JAPAN.

Total	$20,921,863

UNITED STATES IMPORTS.

1903.

FROM RUSSIA.

Baltic and White seas	$7,731,411
Black sea	1,508,341
Russian China	1,555
Asiatic Russia	28,290
Total	$9,269,667

FROM JAPAN.

Total	$44,142,562

It will be seen that in our trade with Russia the balance of trade is in our favor, Russia buying nearly twice as much from us as she sells to us. In our trade with Japan the balance of trade is in Japan's favor and against us. Japan sells to us goods of more than twice the value of what she buys.

On the other hand it will be noticed that our combined commerce with all the Russias is less than half our combined commerce with Japan.

Russia sells us chiefly flax, hides, furs, and skins, carpet wool, bristles, cattle hair and licorice root. Our imports from Russia of hides, of horses, calves, goats, sheep and other animals are some four millions of dollars a year in value. Our imports of wool from Russia amount annually to some two millions of dollars.

Russia buys from us raw cotton (to the value of two to three millions of dollars annually), agricultural implements (to the value of from one to two millions annually), wheat flour (to the value of a million or so a year, rosin and hardware and machinery of every description.

Japan sells us chiefly raw silk ($24,618,212 in 1903), tea ($6,160,687 in 1903), silk goods ($3,861,379 in 1903), with china and porcelain, camphor, cotton goods, rice, straw mattings, sulphur, straw braid for millinery, copper and curios.

Japan's largest items of import are raw cotton (over seven millions in value a year, (kerosene to the extent of three and a half millions a year) and tobacco, etc (from one to two millions a year.) Aside from these Japan buys well-nigh everything we manufacture, from electrical machinery and hardware to butter and cheese and typewriters.

Neither Russia nor Japan are good customers for Massachusetts shoes or cotton goods. Both import the material and manufacture their own. Russia threatens us as a growing producer of wheat and has already surpassed us as a producer of petroleum. Japan threatens us as a manufacturing nation, with the cheapest labor in the world, except China's, and the invention and push to forward it.

Russia threatens Pennsylvania, Texas and Dakota. Japan threatens Massachusetts and Connecticut and New Jersey. Russia cuts away a share of our foreign market with cheap petroleum and wheat. Japan invades our own market with cheap silk handkerchiefs and tooth brushes and pottery. One, broadly speaking, is our antagonist on natural, the other on manufactured products.

Among those present were Rev. Harvey B. Greene, Sec'y B. Hodgman, Rev. C. E. Fisher, Hon. Samuel P. Hadley, George C. Prince, Hon. John E. Drury, William F. Hills, James T. Smith, Capt. O. E. Pratt, Col. A. M. Chadwick, Frank E. Dunbar, A. G. Walsh, Major Perkins, F. H. Rourke, Elisha J. Neale, Charles H. Coburn, W. S. Watson, J. H. Shepard, George L. Huntoon, Chas. H. Hobson, Judge Frederick A. Fisher, S. H. Thompson, Charles L. McCleery, Harry R. Rice, James G. Buttrick, A. S. Lyon, Charles Runels, Fred Howe, Caleb L. Smith, John A. Faulkner, A. C. Thomas, A. F. Swanton, Patrick O'Hearn, Edward Cawley, F. P. Marble, Peter W. Reilly, F. T. Walsh, C. W. Clark, E. T. Adams, Milo D. Clay, W. L. Parker, A. F. French, Henry A. Smith, William H. Brown, David Dickson, John L. Robertson, Jacob B. Currier, F. J. Flemings, E. S. Hylan, Geo. C. Read, Tyler A. Stevens, E. J. Richardson, John C. Burke, George H. Tryder, Dr. E. B. Holt, Fred Walsh, F. M. Bills, William E. Badger, John A. Weinbeck, James B. Casey, E. S. Hosmer, E. W. Lovejoy, F. N. Qua, Cyrus Barton, George E. Davis, John P. Davis, Joseph Richardson, D. L. Page, J. G. Marshall, Eugene Stanley, George Fairburn.

THIRTY SUICIDES

DURING LAST YEAR WERE CAUSED BY GAS.

The board of gas and electric light commissioners sent its 19th annual report to the legislature yesterday afternoon. The report contains no recommendation of importance. The board reports that there were 66 fatal accidents in 1903, involving 72 persons. There were 68 non-fatal cases, involving 146 persons. Of electric fatal accident cases there were five, involving five persons. The non-fatal accidents were seven in number, involving seven persons. The fatal gas accident cases include 30 suicides.

In the course of the year the board received 28 applications for approval of issues of new stock or bonds. The amount of securities asked for was $4,311,200; the amount approved was $3,770,200. In 19 cases the full amount asked for was approved, and no petitio nwas dismissed.

BISCOE EXONERATED

ONLY CHARGE OF NEGLECT HELD AGAINST HIM.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Complete exoneration on all the charges presented against him save that of neglect of duty, is the verdict in the case of Paymaster Harry Earl Biscoe, of the United States battleship Oregon, recently tried by court martial on numerous charges, including falsehood and shortage of supplies to the value of $2600. The court sentenced him to a loss of fifteen numbers in grade, which in the case of a line officer would amount to 150 numbers. The case will be reviewed at Washington before the sentence is executed. Biscoe, who is widely known in the navy, entered a vigorous protest with the secretary of the navy last year against the criticism by Admiral Evans of the personnel of the court in the case of Assistant Paymaster Nicholson, of which Paymaster Biscoe was a member, for what the admiral regarded as an inadequate sentence. After long consideration the secretary of the navy decided not to uphold the protest of Paymaster Biscoe, but he refused to endorse the severe language used by Admiral Evans in his arraignment of the court. Considerable feeling resulted in the navy, and because of this, an order was sent from the navy department to Admiral Evans detaching Paymaster Biscoe from the Asiatic station and assigning him to duty in Washington in the bureau of supplies and accounts. Admiral Evans in a brief cablegram responded that Paymaster Biscoe had been ordered before a court martial on numerous charges. Nothing had been known of the charges against the paymaster when the order was sent and it is stated that the court martial will not interfere with the department's order assigning him to Washington. It has been decided that the papers in the case when received here, shall receive a rigid review at the hands of the judge advocate general and probably of the secretary himself.

HAVERHILL WON

Lowell Defeated in Fast Game

MANCHESTER BURIED THE NATICK TEAM

Devlin Did Some Fine Work

Haverhill defeated Lowell last night, 33 to 28.

Loos, one of the new men secured from Hudson by Manager Gray, allowed Horan, the big Haverhill center, to throw six baskets in less than two periods, and that accounts for the defeat in a great measure. Loos was simply unable to cover Horan and the big fellow tossed baskets with apparent ease. In the middle of the second period Loos was taken out of the game and Getzinger took his place. Getzinger held Horan down to a single basket during the remainder of the game. The only trouble with "Get" was that at times he could not hold his feet. Had he played the entire game, however, the result might have been different.

Jimmy Harrington scored only one goal but he gave a fine exhibition of floor work. "Bucky" Lew went in for two periods and displayed his usual cleverness despite the fact that his shoulder is badly injured. "Bucky" managed to locate the basket twice.

The roughest man in the game was Wachter, the race horse. He had eleven fouls called on him and there were others that the referee failed to see. One attack that he made on Kane was entirely uncalled for. He caught the Lowell man full in the face and play was stopped for a few minutes.

Kane was Lowell's best scorer, and Doyle could do nothing with him. He tossed half a dozen baskets, some of them of the sensational order.

The Haverhill team was accompanied by a crowd of rooters and they made themselves heard all right.

"Connie" Driscoll threw another fit about the middle of the second period when Manager Gray, in violation of the rules, ordered the bell rung in order that he might have Loos retire from the game.

The game itself was one of the most exciting of the season and during the latter part of the third period the audience kept up a continuous cheering and rooting.

The lineup and summary:

LOWELL.	HAVERHILL.
Kane lf	rb Wachter
Mathews rf	lb Doyle
Getzinger, Loos c	c Horan
Holleron rb	lf Lew, Kennedy
Tigue, Leighton lb	rf Harrington

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Lowell, Kane	2— 0
Goal, Lowell, Kane	4— 0
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	4— 2
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter	5— 2
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	5— 4
Third foul, Lowell, Loos	5— 5
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter	6— 5
Goal, Lowell, Leighton	8— 5
Goal, Lowell, Loos	10— 5
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	10— 7
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	10— 9
Goal, Haverhill, Harrington	10—11
Goal, Haverhill, Lew	10—13
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews	10—11

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter	11—14
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	11—16
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	11—18
Goal, Haverhill, Lew	11—20
Goal, Lowell, Kane	13—20
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	13—22
Goal, Lowell, Kane	15—22
Third foul, Haverhill, Harrington	16—22
Goal, Lowell, Mathews	18—22
Third foul, Lowell, Leighton	18—23

THIRD PERIOD.

Goal, Haverhill, Wachter	18—25
Third foul, Haverhill, Doyle	19—25
Goal, Lowell, Getzinger	21—25
Goal, Haverhill, Wachter	21—27
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews	21—28
Third foul, Haverhill, Lew	22—28
Goal, Lowell, Kane	24—28
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews	24—29
Goal, Haverhill, Kennedy	24—31
Third foul, Haverhill, Kennedy	25—31
Third foul, Haverhill, Horan	26—31
Goal, Lowell, Kane	28—31
Third foul, Lowell, Holleron	28—32
Third foul, Lowell, Getzinger	28—33

Score, Haverhill 33, Lowell 28. Goals from the floor, Horan 7, Harrington, Lew 2, Wachter 2, Kennedy, Kane 6, Loos, Leighton, Mathews, Getzinger. Points on fouls, Haverhill 7, Lowell 8. Fouls committed, Wachter 10, Horan 5, Doyle 4, Harrington 3, Kennedy 2, Lew, Mathews 6, Holleron 4, Kane 4, Leighton 3, Getzinger 3, Loos. Referee, Michael Godley of Fitchburg. Timekeepers, Connie Driscoll for Haverhill, James Gray for Lowell. Attendance, 1200.

AN AWFUL TROUNCING.

MANCHESTER, March 11—In the game in this city last night the home team played the Naticks clean off their feet and made them look like the proverbial thirty cents, defeating the visitors by the score of 64 to 7. Devlin did the best work for the home team, scoring seven baskets. The floor work of Donnelly and Dan Lynch with clever blocking kept the star shooters of the visiting team from connecting with the basket.

It was the fastest game that has been seen in Mechanics' hall for many a day and the pace was such that the visitors were not in the hunt for a minute, and practically quit in the last period. They were unable to cope with the furious pace set by the home team. Manchester played a superb game and their passing was perfect. Shots for the basket were numerous and seldom missed. They covered their opponents closely and it was seldom that they were allowed an easy shot.

In the first period Manchester piled up 18 points as the result of baskets. In fact, their entire 64 points was the result of 32 baskets, failing to obtain one on fouls. The visitors contributed three during the game, and these were at intervals. After the second period the visitors played a listless game, realizing that it was all over. The large score of the home team was in a measure due to this. During the first two periods Manchester scored 19 baskets to their opponents' two.

In the last period Whiting replaced Devlin, who suffered a slight injury to his wrist by falling on the floor. He scored six baskets, which came as the result of the members of the home team feeding the ball to him and the opposing players making but a slight attempt to prevent him from scoring. Reagan replaced Qualey in the third period, the former suffering a slight injury to his lip, which was split open in the Haverhill game.

Healey also played a fast game and prevented big Bill Sheridan from getting a look in, while he scored five baskets himself. Qualey, as usual, put up a strenuous article of ball, and his shooting was fine. For Natick, Punch was the only one who seemed able to locate the basket, and this was seldom.

Lineup and summary:—

MANCHESTER	NATICK
Qualey, Regan rf	lb Hayes
Devlin, Whiting lf	rb Falle
Healey c	c W. Sheridan
Donnelly rb	lf Joe Lynch
D. Lynch lb	rf Punch

Score—Manchester 64, Natick 7. Goals from the floor—Qualey 4, Regan, Devlin 7, Whiting 6, Healey 5, Donnelly 6, D. Lynch 3, Punch 2, Hayes. Points on fouls—Natick 1. Fouls committed—Devlin 2, Donnelly. Referee—Charles Connors of Lowell. Timekeepers—Balch for Manchester, Martens for Natick. Attendance—500.

HOLY CROSS IS CHAMPION.

WORCESTER, March 11.—With the defeat of Dartmouth last night by a score of 9 to 6, Holy Cross won the title of champion of New England. The game was one of the most bitter contests this season and every moment, especially in the last half, was utilized by the New Hampshire boys to overcome the lead of Holy Cross. The effort caused many fouls for both teams. The close blocking of both teams and O'Toole's baskets from very difficult angles were the features of the first half.

At the opening of the second half Dartmouth made the greatest bid for the game and only failed in raising her score by the greatest ill-luck. Rix tried his skill at the basket and converted three tries into three points, the only ones made in this half.

HOLY CROSS	DARTMOUTH
Connor lf	lf Hobart
O'Toole rf	rf Ryder (Russ)
Spring c	c Glebstein
Quinn lb	lb McGrail
Reed (Dolliver) rb	rb Rix

Score—Holy Cross 9, Dartmouth 6. Goals from floor—O'Toole 3, Hobart. Baskets on free tries—Spring 3, Rix 3, Hobart. Referee—Hehir. Umpire—Charles Russ. Time—20-minutes halves.

MOTHERS STOPPED GAME.

WINSTED, Ct., March 11.—The rival girl basketball teams of the Gilbert school, an aristocratic Winsted institution of learning, and St. Francis Ladies' Total Abstinence and Benevolent society were scheduled to try conclusions in the armory last night, but the game was postponed because some of the mothers of the players objected to their daughters playing in public in short skirts. There was considerable disappointment among the young men and admirers of the girls.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Tomorrow there will be two games and we want them both. Manchester will lineup against Lowell in the afternoon and again in the evening. The afternoon game will be called at 3 o'clock and the evening contest will begin at 8.30. Both games will be worth seeing as the rivalry between the teams is well known and neither stops at anything to score a victory over the other.

Doyle says that Pete Regan's statement about his treatment of Mike Qualey does not bother him any.

Bill Kelliher of Haverhill is spending his spare time coaching amateur teams. Bill as an amateur is a corker and no mistake—Manchester News.

Bill can hold his own with the majority of professionals.

The Shawlights and Co. M will undoubtedly come together next week for a purse of $50. The members of the former team are anxious to prove that they are a better team than Co. M.

For a little lad, Jimmy Harrington is doing remarkably well. He is the smallest player in the business, but plays the big men as though they were his size. His floor work is great. The Shawlights are on hand every time Haverhill comes to town and they make their presence known when Jimmy scores.

The Boston Globe says:

Manager Healey of the Natick basketball team complains that some of the managers of the New England basketball league teams are adopting unfair methods in an attempt to freeze out the Natick team in the post-season games for a purse of $250.

The Natick team was formerly the Chicopee team of the Central Massachusetts basketball league and it did not enter the New England league until rather late in the season. Therefore the managers of some of the New England league teams do not think they should be entitled to play in the post-series games.

Manager Healey has called for a meeting of the league next Sunday, which is to be held in Hotel Belvidere, Lowell, and he claims that the Natick team will undoubtedly be declared eligible to contest with the Manchester team for the prize money.

PLAY IT SQUARE

Manchester Team Has No Kick Coming

MR. GRAY HAS TAKEN NO ADVANTAGE

John Smith Had the Same Chances

The Manchester cranks fearing that their team will go down in defeat in the post season series if they are stacked up against the Lowell team are just aching to get Natick in on the $200 series. Also they are trying to show that John Smith would be justified in picking up Hough, Fogarty and Ferat after the season closes in order to help out the team in the series.

They say that Manager Gray of the Lowell team is doing the same thing because he has signed Loos and Leighton but they forget that Manager Gray has not signed a man who is under contract with any other team until that team has disbanded and then he has taken them and placed their names on the Lowell pay-roll and made them full-fledged members of his team long before the season closed. John Smith before the season closed. John Smith's game is to get Ferat, Hough and Fogarty when South Framingham has completed its schedule and install them on his Manchester team. Smith will try his best to push this scheme and it will be for the league directors to settle the matter at the meeting on Sunday, March 20. If the league decided in his favor Manager Gray will accept the decision despite the fact that it will be a rank imposition on the local team and public. Even Smith's own players do not approve of his plan although they will not say so probably in Manchester. Here is a sample of the weak argument put forth by Smith's friends on the Manchester papers:

"As Loos and Leighton of the disbanded Hudson team are now drawing Lowell salaries, where does Manager Gray's kick come in over Mulliner, Fogarty and Hough playing with Manchester?"

Another excuse from the Manchester News runs like this:

"Jimmie Gray, manager of the Lowell team, an all-around promoter of sports in general, together with several of his good friends, have been making a great hue and cry over the fact that John Smith will introduce Fogarty, Mulliner and Hough in blue and gold uniforms during the post season series. At the same time, Gray has been snapping up every available player in sight, whether he be from the defunct Western league or otherwise. Manchester and Pocahontas Smith have just as much right to take the famous South Framingham trio aboard as Gray has to corral a dozen or more players who, in order to be sure of them during the post-season series, is willing to pay salaries for a few weeks of idleness. Smith has simply got the bulge on Gray, and the Lowell man is crying quits in the first round. His newspaper support in the crybaby act is remarkably good."

Now let us get down to facts. Much as the Manchester papers, sports and John Smith may desire it, the Natick team will not take part in the post season series. The choice is between Lowell and Haverhill. Again for the benefit of some of the "sports" of Manchester, let it be known that Manager Gray is a true sport and no crybaby. Had he not been made of the right stuff, Manchester would have been without a basket ball team as John Smith himself can truthfully say. It will be recalled that when an attempt, which afterwards proved successful, was made to have the teams play on the percentage plan Manager Gray strongly opposed the proposition and it was only when John Smith begged that the plan be adopted and pointed out that it was the only salvation of the Manchester team that Manager Gray agreed to it.

Let it be known, too, that when the Lawrence team disbanded Manager Smith did his best to get Kane and Tigue for Manchester, but he wanted them for nothing whereas Manager Gray was ready, and did settle for these players, the amount he paid being $150. Had Manager Gray acted as did Fred Lake in the different baseball deals Manager Smith would not be in the running now in basket ball.

Manager Gray has shown himself the true sport and has made deals at his own expense in order to help out the game in the different league cities. He is not trying to impose on anyone. He is simply doing what John Smith could have done had he shown the enterprise and been willing to spend the money. He has obtained all his men in a legitimate manner; the new men he got when they were out of positions.

If the Manchester people or Manager Smith want to have it so, the Lowell team, if winners in the present series, will meet the pick of the league, but it must be known by its true name and not as the Manchester team.

There is no attempt in this city to resort to any tricks; we like the game here and we want to see the old team that represented the Burkes, and now wear the Manchester colors, stack up against our leaders, and if Manchester can win the series no one will give Mike Qualey, Peck Donnelly, Slats Healey, Dan Lynch, Frank Devlin and Pete Regan more credit than will the people of Lowell who follow basket ball.

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"To please him I did so, and to my surprise by their use the sore began to heal over, the hair grew over it, and to-day she has a nice head of hair, her skin is as fair as a lily, and she has no scar left to recall that awful sore, and it is over eight months and no sign of its returning."

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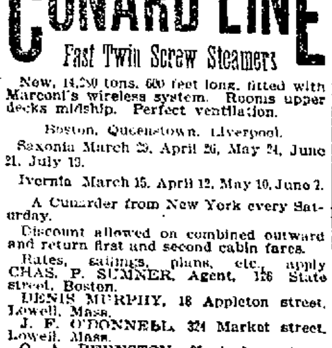

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HEALTH PAY ROLL

Draft Signed by Mayor Howe Yesterday

Mayor Howe yesterday signed the draft for the payment of the salaries of the employes of the health department, the payroll of which was signed by Chairman Holbrook, whose salary the mayor last week refused to sanction.

By signing the draft the mayor recognizes the chairman's right to sign the payroll, which hardly seems consistent with his action of last week. His honor was not at City hall when The Sun reporter called and hence his views on the matter could not be obtained. The health department payrolls were also signed by Alderman Gallagher as chairman of the committee on accounts, and Alderman Gallagher believes until some legal authority convinces him otherwise that both Messrs. Holbrook and McGunness are legal holdovers.

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RECEIVER NAMED

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CLUB MATINEE DINED.

Mrs. J. H. Guillet gave a dinner and reception last evening to the ladies of the Club Matinee at her home in Wentworth avenue.

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

RUSSIAN-JAPANESE WAR

(Continued.)

PROTOCOL NULLIFIES RUSSIAN CONCESSIONS

TOKIO, March 11—The Japanese-Korean protocol was published at Seoul, in an extra edition of the Gazette yesterday. The Korean government will publicly announce that the publication of the protocol nullifies the concessions granted to Russia, such as the non-alienation of coal mining at Kochyo Island and Koze Island and the forestry concessions in the Ulleungdo, Tumen and Yalu valleys.

RUSSIANS BUILDING DEFENCES AT WIJU

TOKIO, March 11—The Wiju-Seoul railway concession was signed yesterday by the Japanese and Korean authorities.

The Russians are engaged in building defences at Wiju which will co-operate with the fortifications already constructed on the left bank of the Yalu. It is reported that the Russians have 250,000 tons of coal at Wiju which they keep drenched with kerosene in readiness to burn should the Japanese land there.

JAPANESE SHIPS BEING REPAIRED

VLADIVOSTOK, March 11—The Korean inhabitants of Vladivostok, as a tangible proof of their sympathy with Russia, have gratuitously placed their services at the disposal of the commander of the town for the construction of defences.

Foreign residents of Nagasaki who have arrived here report that all the Japanese docks are engaged in making repairs to the ships that were damaged in the engagement at Port Arthur.

STILL SHELLING PORT ARTHUR

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 11—Up to this hour no further news is obtainable of the bombardment of Port Arthur, which was progressing, according to the latest advices, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Whatever later information, if any, the emperor may have is not known. Military and naval circles are mystified at the purpose of the appearance of Japanese torpedo boats during the previous night, as it was not accompanied by a serious attempt upon the Russian ships. The bombardment of the fleet from a position off Liaotishin promonotory, which is five to six miles from Golden Hill, at the entrance of the harbor, is believed to indicate that the Japanese were afraid to risk a frontal attack under the guns of the land batteries. It is considered doubtful whether any of the guns of the Russian batteries command the location from which the Japanese were firing. It is pointed out that dropping shells into the harbor and town even in fun is accompanied by danger and this hazardous work is explicable perhaps only on the theory that it was meant as a diversion to cover more serious operations elsewhere. Still, some of the experts here declare their belief that the only object of the Japanese was to keep the garrison and fleet worried.

JAPANESE SCOUTS FOUGHT COSSACKS

LONDON, March 11—The Times publishes a despatch from Tokio saying that the ice on the Yalu river has begun to melt.

Japanese scouts have encountered 40 Cossacks, the correspondent continues at Kasan, 58 miles north of Ping Yang, on the road to Wiju.

KING EDWARD DESIRES PEACE

PARIS, March 11.—A correspondent of the Figaro at St. Petersburg writes that as a result of the recent letter from King Edward to the czar, in which His Majesty expressed in cordial terms his desire for peace, the editors of several newspapers in St. Petersburg were summoned to the office of the censor and ordered to moderate their anti-British tendencies.

This correspondent says also that the czar has requested the emperor of Germany to communicate to him his personal criticism of military and naval events in the Far East, as the news of such occurrences is received.

200,000 TROOPS HAVE LEFT JAPAN

LONDON, March 11—Neither the official nor the independent dispatches published this morning add much knowledge to the progress of the war. Speculation regarding the military situation on the Yalu river is most keen, but no news of a reliable character has been received.

The Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Express asserts that 200,000 troops have been shipped from Japan and that a portion of the second army corps is now on its way to Korea.

The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Chronicle evidently referring to the same movements, cables that the transportation to northern Korea of three divisions of Japanese troops has been completed and that these men are beginning to advance, while 10 divisions of the second army corps have already been mobilized.

As an illustration of the curiously contradictory character of reports from the far east received here, the Kin Chau correspondent of the Daily Chronicle mentions Fung Wang Chang (which is about 45 miles northwest of Antung, in Manchuria) as one of several points of Russian concentration, while other correspondents have reported that the Japanese have captured Fung Wang Chang. Other correspondents report that the Russians have mined all points where it is possible to cross the Yalu river.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the Japanese after Port Arthur is neutralized probably will move two armies to the north simultaneously, one from the southern part of the Liao Tung peninsular and the other from the Yalu river.

The Russians are now moving northward in Korea, this correspondent continues, with the intention of making Wiju their defensive base.

A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who was in Japan recently, wires from Seoul that the Japanese are making steady progress with their land movements.

The roads are occupied by Japanese troops.

According to a Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard the Russians are withdrawing all their superfluous troops from Port Arthur to Harbin and Kirin because of the shortness of provisions and because it is doubtful whether or not they will be able to hold either Port Arthur or New Chwang against a resolute attack. The spirit of the Russian troops, who are largely recruits, has been broken by starvation, cold and harsh treatment from their officers. The Russian losses on the Yalu river are reported to reach a total of 2000 men.

A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Tokio says the Jiji Shimpo has received a communication from Pekin declaring that Great Britain and the United States have protested against Russia sinking junks in the channel of the Liao river at New Chwang, on the ground that this would prevent the egress of the warships of these powers from the river.

The Standard this morning publishes an article in which the writer points out the defenceless condition of the Amur river. Russia never profited from the experiences of the Boxer outbreak, he says, and she has no forts or gunboats on the river. It is probable that when the ice disappears the Japanese will send a fleet of armed gunboats into the river and make themselves felt along its entire length.

HOT RACE WITH RUSSIAN SQUADRON

VICTORIA, B. C., March 11—The Northern Pacific liner Olympia arrived from Yokohama yesterday. Among her passengers was Capt. Hill, who commanded the Japanese cruiser Nisshin from Genoa to Yokohama. He gives a most interesting account of the trip, which included a race with the Russian cruiser Aurora in the Red Sea and the escape of the Nisshin and Kasuga from possible capture by the Russian squadron.

Capt. Hill says that when the two Japanese cruisers got through the Suez canal they were closely followed by the Russian squadron, which was evidently trying hard to keep in close touch with them. The Aurora, which enjoys the reputation of being one of the fastest vessels afloat, attempted to overhaul the two cruisers which, however, put on more steam and ran away from her with the greatest ease. From the firing up done on the Aurora it was evident that she meant business.

Capt. Hill had a long conversation with the Japanese admirals when in Japan, shortly before leaving, and they told him that the main object of the Japanese operations at present was Port Arthur. They were to capture that place at any cost and were confident of their ability to do so. No effort, the Japanese naval minister assured Capt. Hill, would be spared to reduce Port Arthur as quickly as possible. It would then be re-fortified by the Japanese, who would remain there instead of following the Russians into the wilderness of northern Manchuria or Siberia. The intention also is to reduce Vladivostok as soon as the ice goes out.

In reply to the question to whether the superb gunnery of the Japanese warships was due to the presence of British or American gunners aboard, Capt. Hill said most emphatically that not a white man is employed on any Japanese warship in any capacity whatever. From the bridge to the stokers every man is Japanese.

Regarding the foreign correspondents in Japan Capt. Hill said that the feeling among them was intense. They were in despair at the reticence of the government and people and found it impossible to obtain even a scrap of authentic news.

As far as Capt. Hill was aware there was not a foreign correspondent with either the Japanese fleet or navy.

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CUTTING ICE

STREET DEPARTMENT MEN CLEANING UP REMAINS OF WINTER.

The street department is working with 250 men and they have begun the task of removing the thick covering of ice from the principal streets, disclosing at last the bare pavements. By watching the work of removing this thick ice one gets an idea of the severity of the snow storms, for there has been formed on the streets a brick-like substance in some places over one foot thick.

SIR HERBERT MURRAY DEAD.

LONDON, March 11.—Sir Herbert Harley Murray, former governor of Newfoundland, died this afternoon. He was born in 1829.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Money on call easy at 2 per cent.; prime mercantile paper 4½ a 5½ per cent.

Exchanges, $159,919,163; balances, $7,906,943.

EARLY BIRDS

Liquor Officers Were Astir Betimes

The liquor squad was early on the scene this morning and while March's early morning breeze was playing along the Merrimack, the liquor hungry officers strolled across Centralville bridge and called at 172 Lakeview avenue, at exactly 6 o'clock.

The diligent searchers were there but a few moments when they connected with a keg containing 12 gallons of whiskey, with 32 bottles of the same medicine on the side. The liquor is alleged to belong to parties running the saloon formerly run by Frank Callahan.

ALE AND WHISKEY

THE SEIZURE OFFICERS FOUND SOME IN BOARDING HOUSE.

The liquor officers called at the boarding house occupied by Stephen Murphy, at 203 Dutton street, about 6.30 last evening, and seized three cases of ale and a quantity of whiskey.

WATERS RECEDING.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 11.—The water here has fallen to 24 feet today but the gorges three miles below this city and two miles above remain intact, threatening another flood.

Many persons are returning to their homes. The passing out of the gorges at Bloomsburg and Danville greatly relieved the situation there. Hundreds of men were sent along the railroads today to clear the tracks of ice and fill in the miles of road bed which have been washed away.

Actors, Singers, Talkers—Are all more or less subject to bad throat, hoarseness, tonsilitis and catarrh. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder never disappoints. "I can but proclaim Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powders a wonderful medicine for actors, singers and public speakers. Myself and my wife have tried everything, but have never found anything to equal this great remedy for quick action; it certainly is a wonder worker."—At. Emmett Foster, New York City. Sold by Ellingwood & Co. and Falls & Burkinshaw.—25.

MATHEW TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE

Members of the above named organization are requested to attend the dedication of the memorial tablet at the rooms of the society Sunday, March 13, at 3 p.m.

Expert Advice

is needed in the care of the eyes.

Optician George G. Rogers,
145 MERRIMACK STREET
Up Stairs.

BRITISH EXHIBIT

$350,000 MORE MAY BE APPROPRIATED.

LONDON, March 11.—An additional vote of $350,000 for the British exhibit at St. Louis, making a total of $750,000, is included in the civil service estimates for the coming year. These and the revenue department total $233,952,835. With the already announced estimates for the army and navy totalling upwards of $325,000,000 it appears that the full estimates will show an expenditure for the years 1904-05 of about $710,000,000.

RECRUITING BILL PASSED.

BUDA PEST, Mar. 11—The recruiting bill, which had been the subject of strong opposition for a long time, passed all its stages today in the lower house of the Hungarian diet.

ABANDONED AT SEA.

ST. MICHAELS, Azore Islands, March 11.—The British steamer Cairnisla, (Capt. Bond from Savannah, Feb. 20, for Havre) has landed here the crew of the British bark Mary A. Troop (Capt. Walley, from Pensacola, Jan 4, for Rio Janerio) which was abandoned.

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He will carry there a full and complete line of Carpets, Mattings, Draperies and Lace and other Curtains

A specialty will be made of fine order work, which will be done under the personal supervision of Mr. Hastings.

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Double Dark Blue Stamps for Saturday

Ladies' Fine Kid Boots, all sizes	$1.00 a Pair
Ladies' Fine Kid Boots, Blucher cut, all sizes	$1.23 a Pair
Ladies' Storm Rubbers, all sizes	39c
Misses' and Children's Rubbers	25c
Boys' Rubbers, sizes 2½ to 6	39c
Men's Rubbers, sizes 6 to 11	48c
Men's Solid Leather Shoes, all sizes	98c
Men's Fine Shoes, all sizes	$1.19
Men's Vici Shoes, sizes 6 to 10	$1.43
Men's Box Calf Shoes, sizes 6 to 10	$1.43
Boys' Shoes, sizes 8 to 13, spring heels	69c

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Spring Covert Coats

Man Tailored

15 styles to select from today.

Every style is new and shows the careful handling and finished appearance of garments worked by men tailors.

The styles are exclusive with us—not one of them will be found in any other Lowell store.

You will find as good coats as these in Boston—for one-half more than we ask you.

Our salespeople have never been so enthusiastic as they are with these clever new spring coats. They would enjoy the privilege of showing them to you.

A few styles only in detail:—

At $12.50

Fitted back, fly front Covert Coat with guaranteed satin lining. Coat is 23 inches long and has very graceful lines, giving a long shoulder effect. Price $12.50. Other styles at this price.

At $15.00

Another Covert Coat in a distinctly new style idea, made 23 inches long, with shoulder capes and button trimming, satin lined. A very swell coat for $15.00. Other styles also at this price.

At $18.50

A very popular coat of fine men's wear, Covert cloth, fitted back, with wide stitched strap, giving it a graceful look; double-breasted front, with plain coat sleeves and taffeta lined—a perfect model of modern tailoring for $18.50.

We show a very strong line at this price.

At $20.00

One of the novelties in coats is the striped Covert cloths made up in a style that's different from the ordinary run of coats—welted back and front, with cape effect. You'll appreciate this coat more if you see it. Others at this price also.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 7, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

15,252 The sworn daily average circulation for two months of 1904 was: **15,252**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Hearst's money talked in the Rhode Island convention for the nomination of delegates to the democratic national convention at St. Louis.

Various estimates have been set upon the actual loss in the fire at Baltimore, but the lowest estimate is $100,000,000. The insurance loss is about $40,000,000.

Congressman Ames has failed conspicuously in his effort to get more carriers for the local postoffice. As a result of a considerable number of routes the number of daily deliveries will be reduced from three to two. It is a disappointment to the people and to the local office.

The Lawrence representative who thinks that the proposed trunk sewer to relieve the Merrimack river of the pollution from the cities along its banks might have its mouth at Haverhill, had better take another think and get a better one. We pass that right along.—Haverhill Gazette.

We surmise that the project is so far in the distance that it is useless for Lawrence and Haverhill to dispute over its coming.

The Haverhill Gazette is apparently the friend of the trading stamp, as it says that the legislature is powerless to interfere with the stamp business. The Gazette being the only paper in Haverhill it is reasonable to suppose that when the trading stamps are driven from other cities they will still find a hiding place in Haverhill. We should not be surprised to find the Gazette giving away stamps as a means of increasing its circulation.

HEARST BEATEN BY COCKRAN.

The labor leaders of this city have been urged to send telegrams at the expense of the New York Journal to the speaker of the house of representatives urging him to appoint Mr. Hearst upon the ways and means committee to which Mr. Cockran has just been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Congressman McClellan. This explains Hearst's attack upon Cockran, but that attack was mild in comparison to the attack made upon Hearst himself by the New York Evening Post. Hearst's scheme to turn down Cockran and capture the place on the ways and mean committee was a complete failure as it should be.

GRANITE AS BUILDING MATERIAL.

Some builders as well as some proprietors, think that granite is the very best building material for any structure; but a view of the ruins of St. Patrick's church will convince anyone to the contrary. Some of the granite blocks and pillars were found split through when the masons began to take them down. Granite is a good conductor of heat and being porous when the moisture it contains is heated it causes the heaviest blocks to crack and break. The case is different with ordinary stonework. The small stones are laid in mortar and the wall so built or built with bricks will resist the fire much better than granite. It is not advisable therefore to use much granite in buildings which are not entirely fireproof. In case of fire the granite will break up and destroy the wall in which it is placed.

A BILL THAT SHOULD BECOME LAW.

There is a bill before congress that as a matter of public policy should become law.

It is forbidden for any member of a city council or any office holder in the pay of the city to be directly or indirectly interested in any contract with the city for furnishing labor or material. The reason is obvious. For a like reason no member of the legislature is permitted to be interested in any contract authorized by the body of which he is a member.

Similarly it should be forbidden, but it isn't, for any member of congress or any senator to hold or receive the pay of any executive office, agency or commission.

It will be remembered that members of both houses of congress were appointed to the Anglo-American joint high commission; to the Paris peace commission that brought to an end the Spanish war and lastly that Senator Lodge was on the Alaskan boundary commission.

These are bad precedents as the practice is one of recent origin. It is necessary to pass the bill here referred to in order to prevent any extension of the abuse. The legislative and executive functions of government should be separated as otherwise the members of the legislative bodies can frame measures to call for their special services as paid agents of the government, thus bringing about a practice that may be used to the detriment of the nation.

A DIFFICULT DOMESTIC PROBLEM.

A correspondent writes to ask how a husband and wife can maintain a home and support a family on ten dollars a week.

We confess that we cannot shed much light on the subject but yet there are hundreds of men doing this very thing in this and other mill cities at the present time. Of course the food must be the plainest possible and we fear the quantity must be less than enough on many occasions. The clothing too must be plain and scant. Too often it happens that in such cases the children are not clad in a manner sufficient to protect them from the cold, and as a result there is sickness and too often death.

If it be difficult as it assuredly is to live and support a family on ten dollars a week surely the difficulties are increased when doctors' bills and funeral expenses have to be paid. Ten years ago the ordeal would not be as serious as it is today as the price of almost every commodity has increased from 10 to 25 per cent.

It is the difficulty of meeting extraordinary expenses, such as deaths and funerals that causes so many poor families to get all their children insured. They know that with an income barely sufficient to keep the wolf from the door, if sickness or death comes either will sink them irrevocably in debt.

But hard as the problem of supporting a family on ten dollars a week may be to the sober man, it is much more so, may it prove an impossibility to the man who drinks or who spends any considerable part of the amount for strong drink. He must be a heartless man who would leave his children hungry in order to satisfy his own appetite for drink, but unfortunately there are many who do it, many who will leave wife and children in rags, without protection from the winter's cold, without food sufficient to sustain life. Under such circumstances the agent of the Humane society or the secretary of the pauper department is called and the unfortunate wife and children become the wards of the city. Much of the destitution is due to the rigor of the industrial system, but much more to intemperance and thriftlessness. The industrial problems must be met and solved if at all with frugality, thrift and temperance, but without these there is but the alternative of destitution and its well-known consequences.

BALFOUR SCORED

Lord Rosebery Gets After Premier

LONDON, March 11—An extraordinary scene disturbed the customary decorum of the House of Lords last evening.

In a recent debate in the House of Commons Premier Balfour had used the word "calumny" with reference to some statement made by Lord Rosebery in the fiscal controversy. When the officials met yesterday, Lord Rosebery asked Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, what justification existed for the premier's use of such a word. Lord Lansdowne proceeded to explain the circumstances, which concerned the alleged presentation of two documents by Premier Balfour to the cabinet on the fiscal question, and the subsequent withdrawal of them. He admitted the premier had used the word in the heat of debate. He said he thought the circumstances justified some warmth on the part of the premier, but that he had consulted with Mr. Balfour, who told him that he did not desire to impute to Lord Rosebery a deliberate attempt to misrepresent him.

After Lord Lansdowne had finished Lord Rosebery again rose and, declaring the explanation had not been sufficient, he fiercely attacked the premier, whom he accused of being too "thin skinned," adding "people who live in glass houses should not throw stones. It is all very well to defend such language by saying it was due to the heat of debate, and only pretty Fanny's way. If a man cannot curb his tongue, better than that he is unfit to be the first lord of the treasury.

"I do not personally care a farthing what language Premier Balfour uses about me, and I only brought the matter before the House in order to point out that there are decencies in debate that should be used even by those who occupy the highest position."

As Lord Rosebery finished his tirade and sat down, a painful silence ensued and the lords looked at each other uncomfortably. After a long pause, Earl Spencer, the liberal leader, rose and said he thought Lord Rosebery had not been fairly used. After another awkward silence Lord Chancellor Halsbury asked whether Lord Rosebery had any motion to make. Lord Rosebery then moved an adjournment of the house, an almost unparalleled motion in the House of Lords, but he did not press the motion to a division and the subject was dropped.

CYCLE NEWS

The early spring riding is highly prized by some cyclists in spite of the fact that it is the most uncertain and frequently the most unsatisfactory of the year. It comes at the end of a more or less extended close season and at a time when the rider longs for spring and all that it brings to its train. The first hint of a relaxation of winter's grip sets his thoughts on cycling, while the appearancy of a balmy, sunny day begets the determination to make use of the first fine Sunday for an inaugural spin.

It is such a day usually that tempts the cyclist forth. The frost is still in the ground, although the sun, which each day gains in strength, is drawing it forth at a great rate. The surface of the road, which at the time of starting was hard and dry, becomes soggy before many miles have been ridden, and from that goes on until it becomes the consistency of a thick paste, which makes hard going and plentifully besplatters the cyclist if he rides at any speed. As far as that part of the ride is concerned there is little chance of improvement, for the brighter and warmer the sun the more frost is drawn forth from the ground and the softer the road surface becomes.

The compensation for all this, however, is found in the cheerful sun, the grateful rays of which warm the cockles of your heart, and the life giving ozone, which you take into your lungs in great big gulps. Spring has come, and the great, wide outdoors beckons you once more with an allurement that you neither can nor want to resist. The Frost King is waging his last battle with his ancient enemy, Sol, and the latter's quick and overwhelming victory is seen to be inevitable. What matters a bit of muddy road when you know well it is the last token of winter, now in its death throes? Soon its shivering memory will be a memory only, and anon it will be forgotten altogether.

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STRIKE SETTLED

Boston Book and Job Printers Compromise

BOSTON, March 11—The strike of book and job printers, which has been in effect for several weeks, was settled last night at a joint meeting of a representative of Typographical union 13 and the Boston Typothetae. The settlement was in the nature of a compromise, and a contract between employers and employees was signed.

Under the contract arrived at the wages for piece work will be 38 cents per 1000 ems; for time work $17 a week on and after March 14, 1904, until February 1, 1905, and thereafter $18 per week for machine operators, $19 per week from March 14 to Feb. 1, 1905, and thereafter $20 per week.

The hours for labor for both hand and machine work remain as heretofore.

An arbitration provision was included in the contract, whereby disputes arising over terms of the contract will be adjusted without friction.

The Typothetae stated that the terms of the contract as to wages and hours are those offered the union on January 30 by the Boston Typothetae.

FOUND DEAD

WEALTHY MONEY LENDER WAS MURDERED.

NEW YORK, March 11—Abraham Newman, a wealthy money lender and diamond dealer, was found dead yesterday in his office on the Bowery. Robbery has been committed, but whether or not it followed murder is a question which the police have yet to solve. There were no marks of violence on the body and no signs of a struggle.

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ON THE ALLEYS

GRANT'S BAKERS DEFEATED THE THISTLES.

Grant's Bakers met the Thistles last evening on the bowling alleys and defeated them 1181 to 1156. McAdams had 100 for a single and Tait made the best three-string total. The score:

GRANT'S BAKERS.

	1	2	3	Total
John Grant	83	70	80	233
Billy Grant	63	81	76	220
J. Keith	73	77	62	212
Jim Grant	76	78	93	247
R. McKenzie	75	79	88	242
Total	370	385	429	1184

THISTLES.

	1	2	3	Total
D. Dobson	85	56	53	194
J. Tait	77	84	91	251
Scott	76	81	78	235
McAdams	75	74	100	249
Hindle	76	73	71	220
Total	389	368	393	1150

ORIENTS BEAT MOHAIRS.

By the close margin of three pins the Mohairs lost to the Orients in the Recreation league tournament on Les Miserables alleys last night. In the first string the Mohairs led by 37 pins, a margin which the Orients overcame by steady bowling in the last two strings:

The score:

ORIENTS.

	1	2	3	Total
Slavin	79	83	75	237
Galvin	79	79	80	238
Lang	87	105	89	281
Kerrigan	75	70	79	216
Kelly	65	85	106	256
Total	385	431	423	1239

MOHAIRS.

	1	2	3	Total
Southam	82	86	96	264
Rhodes	79	74	71	224
Whittaker	81	81	74	236
Sidebottom	91	87	86	264
Hartman	89	88	71	248
Totals	422	416	398	1236

JUDGE PLATT

SUSTAINS DEMURRERS OF EXECUTORS OF BROWN ESTATE.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11—Judge Platt in the United States circuit court handed down a decision yesterday sustaining the demurrer filed by the defence in actions brought by the executors of the estates of John Nicholas Brown, late of Newport, R. I., and Walter A. Peck, late of Providence, against W. Frank Kinney, collector of internal revenue, to recover the amount of inheritance taxes already paid. Exception, however, is made in the decision in one instance, in which the tax on an item of $100,000 in the Brown estate is ordered to be returned. The total amount of the tax paid on the Brown estate was $29,591.87. A tax amounting to $2,679.55 was paid on the Peck estate. The payments were made under section 29 of the war revenue act of June 13, 1898.

LUMBER MILL BURNED

WOLVERINE, Mich., March 11—The Haak Lumber Co.'s mill at Hankwood, a few miles from here, has been totally destroyed by fire. Loss $160,000; insurance, $100,000.

LIEUT. SHARPLEY DISMISSED.

WASHINGTON, March 11—First Lieut. Arthur G. Sharpley of the 12th cavalry having been found guilty of serious charges affecting his moral character, has been sentenced to dismissal from the army.

Hood's Lotion

Smoothes and softens the hands, and leaves a delicate floral fragrance that lasts for hours after its application.

It is Free from Oil,

Does Not Stain,

And Dries so Quickly

that gloves can be put on directly after rubbing it on the hands. It has a

Delicious Violet Perfume

and never fails to please. All druggists, 35 cts

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 Central Street

Friday, Saturday

The Last Two Days of Our Last Season Suit Sale

WE have had a wonderful business, and shall wind up the sale this week. There are still splendid bargains left in each of the several lots, but you will have to come this week if you would profit by this opportunity.

$12.50 for Rogers-Peet's Last Spring Suits, and our own most expensive lots, with some heavy weights added. Sold for $25, $22, $20 and $18. All - - - - - $12.50

$10 for Rogers-Peet's Last Spring Suits in young men's sizes, and with these, all of our own high grade suits; several lots of heavy weights, were $22, $20, $15. All now - - $10

$7.50 for Men's Last Spring Suits the entire balance of our stock, fancy mixtures and serges, and also several lots of heavy weights, sold for $14, $12, a few for $10—all $7.50

Young men's sizes $7.00

The Bargains in Boys' Suits

Are the Most Remarkable We Ever Advertised

These suits are all splendid styles and the medium weights are practically what you'll buy the last of this month, at double today's prices. The heavy weights, marked just as cheap, can be worn today.

What are Left Are Offered as Below:

Boys' All Wool Two Piece Suits

Double breast jacket with short trousers — these are nearly all light colored, and are in sizes 14 years to 16. These suits sold for $3, $4 and $5. All marked today to close for $1.00

Boys' Suits for $2.50

That sold for $4 and $5, strictly all wool, in blue and fancy serge Sailor Suits, and Sailor Norfolk suits, sizes 3 to 10 years. Boys' three-piece suits and Boys' Norfolk Suits, sizes 8 years to 16, spring weight and heavy weight suits of equal values —first prices $4 and $5—all now - - - - - $2.50

Boys' Finest Suits for $3.50

That sold for $6, $7 and $8. Handsome navy and fancy serge Sailor, Norfolk Sailor and Russian blouse suits, in sizes 3 to 10 years. Handsome dark colors in three-piece suits and Norfolk suits, in sizes 8 to 16 years—instead of $6, $7 or $8— your choice today from this collection - - - $3.50

FRENCH OFFICER

Accused of Trying to Sell Naval Secrets

PARIS, March 11.—In spite of official reticence and denials from the Japanese legation here, it is again affirmed that a non-commissioned officer named Martin, who was employed in the ministry of marine, and who is now under arrest, attempted to sell French naval secrets to a naval attache at the Japanese legation.

The discovery of this alleged attempt came as a result of the accidental opening of a letter addressed to the non-commissioned officer by a naval captain of the same name. This letter was from an intermediary, but it indicated the principals in the affair. It is alleged that several women are implicated, and that one of them has confessed. It appears now that only one document is missing from the ministry of marine, but it is possible that Martin photographed and replaced others. It is not likely that the information alleged to have been stolen got beyond the intermediary, and it is said that the Japanese naval attache who is supposed to have been in indirect communication with Martin sailed for home on board one of the cruisers which Japan purchased from Argentina.

Prince Itchijo, who succeeded the Japanese naval attache who returned home, has informed the Petit Journal that Martin wrote him four days after his arrival in Paris, proposing a meeting to communicate important business. The prince was indisposed and in reply wrote and asked Martin to state the nature of his business. Martin answered that he was unable to tell his business in a letter and fixed another time and place for a meeting. This appointment the prince kept, but Martin had by that time been arrested and therefore did not appear.

It is said that the documents accessible to Martin related to the possibility of joint naval action on the part of France and Russia.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

CONVENTION WILL HOLD FINAL MEETING SUNDAY.

The final meeting of the St. Patrick's day convention will be held Sunday afternoon at 2.30 in A. O. H. hall. At this meeting Chief Marshal O'Connell will announce the complete arrangements for the parade, including the formation, and will also designate the points at which the different divisions will assemble. The chief marshal hopes to be able to make arrangements with Chief Hosmer to have the fire bell struck once when the parade is ready to move. Marshal Boyle of the business men's cavalcade has also arranged to have a meeting of all interested in the success of the cavalcade in A. O. H. hall at 2.30 Sunday afternoon. The men who ride with the cavalcade will wear silk hats, dark coat and vest, white duck trousers, leggings, green sashes and gauntlets.

It is the desire of the chief marshal that business men along the route decorate their places of business on next Thursday.

A slight change has been made in the route of parade. Originally it was intended to have the parade move from Rogers to High street. Instead it will go from Rogers to Concord street, to Andover, to High street.

There will be also a change in the route in ward two so that instead of going the entire length of Suffolk street the parade will go up Broadway to Fletcher street and then along Thorndike street.

The Lowell One Price Clothing Co., 72 to 80 Merrimack street, gives Light Blue Discount Stamps. Ask for them.

REMODELED OFFICE.

George H. Rogers, the well known optician, at 146 Merrimack street, has had his place of business all remodeled, and the change is so complete that a person would hardly recognize the place, and with the change a great many improvements have been made for the benefit of his patrons and his convenience. With these modern improvements and his expert knowledge of the optical business, the public will have their wants attended to in the best possible manner. Mr. Rogers gives his personal attention to all examinations of the eyes and the fitting of the glasses.

JACK O'BRIEN WON.

ST. LOUIS, March 11—Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia was given the decision at the end of a 6-round battle with Mike Schreck of Cincinnati before the West End club last night.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

TURKISH TROPHIES

ALL TURKISH TOBACCO

CIGARETTES

10 for 10c.

Biggest Seller in the World.

FREE New Pictures 25 dainty maids of as many nations, each holding her country's emblem. Full of snap and go, the finest set of pictures we have ever issued—you know what that means. Full set free for 60 Trophies coupons.

Anargyros

NEW YORK

WILL RAISE $25,000

The Textile School Trustees Promise Outside Aid

At Hearing Asking Two Appropriations for Local Institution From the State—Much Said in Favor and Nothing Against the School

Two bills for money for the improvement and maintenance of the Lowell Textile school were given a hearing yesterday before the committee on education of the legislature at the State House, and the trustees and other friends of the school turned out in large numbers to favor the passage of the bills.

The hearing on the Lowell bills was one of several hearings, all relative to the Textile schools of the state set for yesterday by the committee.

Rep. Bennett of Saugus has a bill before the committee asking an investigation of the Lowell and other textile schools of the state and a postponed hearing was set for yesterday. When Mr. Bennett arrived at the committee room he requested that the hearing be postponed once more, until March 17 and then retired. His request was granted with the understanding that there would be no further postponements.

FALL RIVER SCHOOL.

The first hearing held was on the bill to grant $20,000 to the Fall River Textile school. The mayor of the city and others spoke. The school, which is in its infancy, has 103 evening pupils, but only three in the day classes. Last year the school had an appropriation of $18,000.

NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL.

The New Bedford Textile school asked for $18,000, and a hearing was then given on this bill.

Senator Bullock said that the New Bedford school was up to that of Lowell or any other place, and he said it had been maintained without any philanthropic aid.

Christopher P. Brooks, the first principal of the Lowell school, and now director of the New Bedford school, said there were 712 pupils, 24 of whom were day pupils. There is a force of 15 instructors, nine of whom serve only in the evening. The payroll is $13,000, the director receives $3000.

Isaac B. Tompkins, Jr., said that the attitude of the labor unions was friendly to the school.

LOWELL SCHOOL BILS.

The two bills relative to the Lowell Textile school were the last heard and that of Representative Hayes for the annual grant of $20,000 subject to an appropriation of $8000 by the city for the maintenance of the school.

Mr. Hayes stated that as the committee had thoroughly inspected the institution the day previous it was hardly necessary to go into the merits of the institution.

Frank E Dunbar set forth the claims of the school in an eloquent manner and stated among other things that the best tribute to the school was the fact that the expense per capita has been reduced from $72 a year in 1898 to $31 at the present time.

William W. Crosby, principal of the school, read a list of graduates of the school who have been given responsible mill positions elsewhere. "The principal of the Fall River school is a graduate of our first class," he said.

THE SECOND BILL.

The bill calling for an appropriation of $27,406 to complete the equipment of the school and do grading and filling about the building was taken up.

Franklin W. Hobbs of Lawrence, one of the state trustees, said that the entire state was benefited by the school.

Frank E. Dunbar said: "The school has now reached the culmination of its originators' original conception. We have spent nearly $500,000 on the school and the state has appropriated only $120,000 of this. The officers of the school have more than kept faith with the commonwealth. We have received princely gifts from Mr. F. F. Ayer of New York and from the Kitson heirs. We hope to raise from private sources $25,000 for the equipment of the school and with this sum asked from the state we can complete the equipment of our new buildings. We are willing to amend this bill, making the grant conditional on the money that we propose to raise. Last year we kept faith in promising to raise $23,000 outside, for we secured $30,000."

A. G. Cummock, chairman of the board of trustees, stated that the school had grown so fast as to almost take away the breath of the managers. "We are open to investigation by anybody," he said. "We have nearly 600 pupils, our salaries art not large, and our money has been the cleanest spent of any institution that we can show."

"Will the school ever be self-supporting?" asked a member.

"If the per capita cost of instruction keeps going down and our outside friends still aid us, it may," replied Mr. Cumnock.

James T. Smith, clerk of the board of trade, showed that the income in the state tax was not due to the Textile school appropriations, which had decreased last year. The trustees wanted $30,000 worth of new looms, but they had not included these in the schedule for equipment for they intended to secure them outside as they were required.

The following detailed estimate of the cost of the proposed equipment was submitted:

Cotton yarn department, $3496; woolen and worsted, $15,300; design and decorative art, $2760; chemistry, $4206; dyeing, $7733; weaving, $4223; engineering, $1215; Boilers, stokers and settings, $6500; finishing, $11,060; knitting, $2000; total, $57,583.

Thomas Walsh, Alvin S. Lyon and W. H. I. Hayes were the concluding speakers. Agent Lyon pleaded for the school as the opportunity for the children of the operatives. When asked which session of the school was the more important, he replied: "The evening school by all means. There are day pupils who will never amount to much."

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MATRIMONIAL

Mr. John Henry Whitlock, of Riverside, Cal., and Miss Mabelle Frances Gardner, of this city, were married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, 8 Hastings street.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Smith T. Ford, of the First Baptist church. The bridemaid was Miss Lillian Garland and the best man was Mr. Fred Hammond.

The bride wore a dress of hand embroidered China silk and carried bride roses, and the bridemaid wore white nun's veiling.

The happy couple were the recipients of many beautiful presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock will remain in this city until March 20, when they will leave for Riverside, Cal., near Pasadena, where they will take up their residence.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Large houses were in order at the matinee and evening performances of Vance & Sullivan's new sensational melodrama entitled "Lighthouse by the Sea," at the Academy of Music yesterday, almost every seat being taken at the two performances.

The play has a plot that is original with a moral that is pointed, climaxes that are thrillingly sensational and containing a comedy element that is clean and wholesome. Especially fine is the storm scene at night off "Devil's Rock" lighthouse, showing a ship in distress, and its rescue by a young girl making a perilous trip by walking a wire from a flagpole to the top of the lighthouse to restore the light which had been extinguished by the villain. This scene, which is in the third act, is quite thrilling. The story has a touch of sympathy that reaches the heart. The play is interspersed with sparkling comedy.

The climaxes are thrilling and the home like story as told during the action of the play appeals to everyone, young and old. "Caleb Gale," the old lighthouse keeper, was cleverly interpreted by Harry L. Bradey, while Jack Dunn as "Paul Clifford," a young coast pilot, a brave, young tar whose honesty and straightforwardness wins admiration of the former, made a decided hit in this character. Miss Della Clarke makes a pleasing "Flora," grand-daughter of "Caleb Gale," who comes under the latter's charge when a mere babe, and for whose welfare the old lighthouse keeper is ever on the alert. The character of "Joe Daggart," a young villager, was well taken by R Barlow, while the other members of the company filled their respective parts in a manner which brought favorable comment upon them.

By the cancelling of the burlesque shows and the booking of good, up-to-date dramas the attendance at the Academy of Music has been growing larger and larger, the increase in attendance being apparent from day to day. The attendance of the ladies has increased wonderfully, and in fact more than half the audience at the different performances consists of ladies.

"The Lighthouse by the Sea" will be presented this afternoon and evening and tomorow afternoon and evening.

FIVE BOYS

QUINTET ARRIVES IN DAVID SWOPE'S FAMILY.

PITTSBURG, March 11.—David Swope, a workman on the Wabash bridge, yesterday was handed a message which read:

"Annie gave birth to five boys today. Come home at once."

Swope asked for his pay and said he was going right home to learn from Annie how she managed to break the Fulton county record. He said: "Annie might have given me a housekeeper, but to hand me five bridge workers is a pretty hard jolt."

He left for Fulton county, where his wife lives on a farm with her father.

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AS A LEADER

WE OFFER 25 DOZEN

Children's Corded Underwaists

Made of a strong Jean, with taped buttons and bound buttonholes at only 15c each, or two for 25c.

A superior quality of Corded Waists, sold everywhere for 25c, at 19c each.

Misses' Corset Waists that lace at the back, a 50c Waist for 39c.

The well-known "E. Z." Jersey Waists for Boys and Girls at 23c each.

Double Trading Stamps Saturday.

S. Abels

Merrimack, Corner Kirk Street.

THE BON MARCHE DRY GOODS COMPANY

DOUBLE GREEN TRADING STAMPS SATURDAY

Special Sale

Loom End Ribbons

Opened Yesterday Morning—The Saving a Third to a Half

Several times a year a large manufacturer sends us a shipment of LOOM END RIBBONS (short pieces running from one to six yards in length) for Special Sales—at least we use them for that purpose, but they could be put into stock and sold for regular prices. However, we prefer to give the public "a feast" of bargains once in a while, a share of our good fortune, so to speak, and yesterday morning ushered in one of these occasions. The assortments are thoroughly representative and contain all the wantable kinds demanded.

The saving is considerable as the following items will testify:

STYLES: Satin Gros Grains, Metallic Taffetas, Satin Liberties, Satin Taffetas, Plain Taffetas

Regular Price.	Sale Price.	Regular Price.	Sale Price.
6c Yard	3c Yard	15c to 17c Yard	9c Yard
7 to 9c Yard	4c Yard	19c to 23c Yard	12½c Yard
10c to 12c Yard	5c Yard	25c to 29c Yard	15c Yard
12c to 14c Yard	7c Yard	35c to 39c Yard	19c Yard

A BEAUTIFUL DOUBLE-FACED SATIN LIBERTY RIBBON—5 to 6 in. wide, which regularly sells for 45c a yard. In this sale ..... 25c YARD

BABY RIBBON ..... 1c YARD

Six Trade Winners

In the Bargain Basement

SATSUMA PONGEE, 7½c Yard—A highly mercerized material, very soft and silky in finish, in fact at a short distance it could not be told from silk. Perhaps the patterns (copies of silk) lend to the deception, and the price is only seven and a half cents per yard.

FINE QUALITY DENIM, 12½c Yard—Suitable for carpeting, draperies, fancy work, etc.; all colors; 5 to 10 yd. pieces; full piece price 19c yd.

FINE WHITE GOODS, 10c Yard—Short lengths, excellent for dresses, waists, aprons, etc. Piece price 15c yard.

OLD FASHIONED SEERSUCKER, 12½c Yard—White and colors.

LINEN TABLE DAMASK, 25c Yard—64 in. wide, 1½ to 5 yd. pieces; on the piece 39c yard.

DANISH CLOTH, 12½c Yard—All colors. Just the thing for house dresses, etc. The price will certainly advance in a short time.

See the Special Photograph Offer

Echoes From the Special Notion Sale

MOURNING PINS—In boxes; regularly 2c box. 5 Boxes for 5c

BLACK AND COLORED PINS—Assorted sizes, on paper; regularly 5c paper. 2 Papers for 5c

HAT PINS—(6 on card), regularly 5c card. 3c Card

DARNING COTTON—(On cards), regularly 1c each. 5c for 12 Cards

HOOKS AND EYES—"The Smart Set," regularly 5c card. 3c Card

BALL AND SOCKET FASTENER—Regularly 10c card. 7c Card

TREASURE SAFETY PINS—Regularly 5c card. 3 Cards for 10c

PEARL BUTTONS—2 dozen on card. 5c Card

FOUNDATION COLLARS—Silk Chiffon, regularly 10c each. 2 for 15c

TAPE MEASURES—Regularly 1c each. 2 for 1c

NEEDLE BOOKS—Large size, 5c; Small size, 3c

HOSE SUPPORTERS—Side and front effects, special lot, all colors. 10c Pair

LINEN FINISH THREAD—100 yd. spools. 3 Spools for 5c

BROOKS' 100 YARD MACHINE COTTON—Regularly 2c spool. 3 Spools for 5c

Save Twenty-five Cents

By purchasing 3 Pairs Women's Stockings

We put on sale yesterday morning 100 dozen of Women's Hose, made by the HOOPER KNITTING CO., this city. They are discontinuing business and are closing out floor stock at very low prices. We were very fortunate to secure this lot and as we bought them cheap, so we pass them on to our public, cheap.

They are fast Black, French feet, high spliced heels, double soles and double toes. The fabric is a fine quality Maco Cotton.

The price,

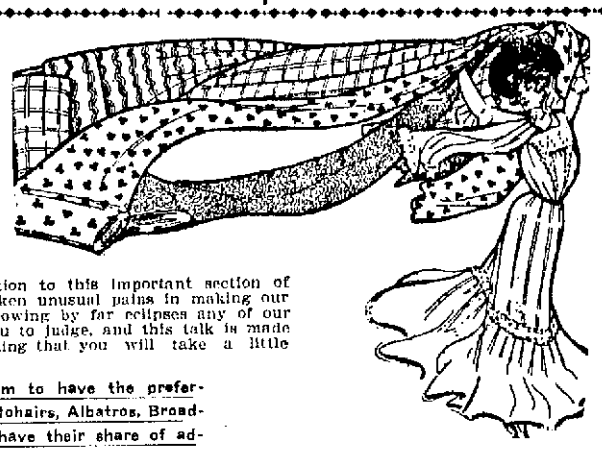
3 Pairs for 50c

The Hooper Knitting Co. made nothing cheaper than 25c grades. This lot is the best grade they made to sell for that price.

See Window Display.

A Splendid Showing of

New Spring Dress Goods



We take pleasure in calling your attention to this important section of our store, from the fact that we have taken unusual pains in making our selections this season and feel that our showing by far eclipses any of our previous efforts. However, this is for you to judge, and this talk is made with the hope that it may prove so interesting that you will take a little time and see what we really have done.

Voiles and Novelty Suitings seem to have the preference, although plain and fancy Mohairs, Albatros, Broadcloths, Venetians and Cheviots have their share of admirers.

We are showing a beautiful fabric suitable for evening or wedding gowns, a shimmery material called SILK SUBLIME, for $1.00 YARD.

We are also very strong on

49c NOVELTIES 69c VOILES 75c HAIRLINE MOHAIRS

The following five numbers have proven rapid sellers and no doubt the reason being the attractive prices.

36 IN. WHITE FIGURED MOHAIRS ..... 35c YARD

42 IN. FRENCH NUN'S VEILINGS ..... 69c YARD

Shown in the following colors: Champagne, Tan, Pearl Grey, Dark and Light Navy, White and Black.

44 IN. BRILLIANTINES ..... 39c YARD

24 IN. ALL SILK PONGEES ..... 49c YARD

27 IN. GUARANTEED BLACK TAFFETA SILK, 75c YARD

Echoes From the Special Jewelry Sale

BACK COMBS—Shell, Amber and White, worth 50c and 75c. 25c Each

STERLING SILVER INITIALS—Regularly 25c. 15c, 2 for 25c

BROOCH PINS—Regularly 25c. 10c Each

LEATHER TAM O'SHANTER PURSES—Metal top, regularly 50c. 25c Each

MISSES' CHATELAINE BAGS—Regularly 25c. 15c

WRIST BAGS—With furnishings; regularly $1.00. 50c Each

BELT BROOCHES—Black, grey and oxidized, regularly 25c. 8c

BROOCH PINS—Regularly 50c. 29c

LOCKETS—Fancy and plain, round, oval and heart shaped; regularly 50c. 25c

BLACK AND WHITE FEATHER Fans—To close 50c Each

Ranging in price from $1.00 to $4.00 each.

BELT SETS—Back and front buckles; black, silver, grey and oxidized; worth 25c. 10c Set

18 California Navel Oranges for SWEET AND JUICY 25C

A New Model

In American Lady Corsets

No. 480

A Corset made to fit the average medium and full figure. It gives a decided long waist effect, having as it does a long dip hip and medium high bust. It is boned with non-rusting steels, and the quality of material is a very fine Batista. The trimming at top is Velenciennes lace 3 in. wide (something unusual in this grade Corset), which is run with two rows Bebe Ribbon.

The Price $1.00 Pair

Be sure and call for it by number.

LUCK

The new Breakfast Food, made from California White Wheat. Wholesome, delicious. Special demonstration in the basement, where we serve "Luck" with pure cream and sugar.

2 Packages for 25c

NOTE—With every 52c purchase of "Luck" we give $2.00 worth of Green Stamps free.

See the Inducement in Photographs

Two Specials

In Shirt Waists

2768—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST, With Vest, Sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42.

Two numbers, cream of the stock. The prices we quote you must bear in mind do not represent their true worth, not by any manner of means. They are simply specials, and when these lots are gone 'twill be hard telling if they can be duplicated.

No. 1 Is a Fine Linen Waist at 98c

The front is made with broad hemstitched tucks, tucked back, large sleeves, tucked cuffs and stock. They are actually worth and have sold for one dollar and fifty cents.

No. 2 Is a Union Linen Waist at $1.50

The front has a wide panel of real linen Mexican work in assorted patterns, on either side of which are three broad tucks; tucked back, large sleeves, 2½ in. cuffs and tab stock. These waists are worth two dollars.

Echoes From the Special Toilet Goods Sale

POWDER PUFFS—Regularly 10c. 5c Each

TALCUM POWDER—"Mennen's." 14c Box

TALCUM POWDER—"Eastman's," regularly 15c. 10c

WOODBURY'S SOAP—15c Cake

CAMPBELL'S ALMOND CREAM—25c size. 21c Bottle

HAIR ROLLS—Regularly 15c. 10c

TOOTH BRUSHES—A special lot, worth 15c and 17c. 10c Each

PETROLEUM—Camphorated, 2 oz. jar, regularly 5c. 2 for 5c

MUNYON'S WITCH HAZEL SOAP—Regularly 15c 8c Cake

TOOTH BRUSHES—Regularly 19c. 15c

FACE POWDER—"La Blanche." 31c Box

HOT WATER BOTTLES—2 qt. size, regularly 49c. 43c

Shoe Department News

QUEEN QUALITY OXFORDS, $2.50 and $3.00 Pair—Many new patterns in Patent Kid, Vici Kid and Tan Calf.

COLUMBIA OXFORDS, $2.00 Pair—A dozen new styles in Vici Kid, heavy and light soles; an excellent value.

WOMEN'S LOW CUT RUBBERS, 25c Pair—Slightly damaged by water; worth 50c pair.

CHILDREN'S STORM RUBBERS, 23c Pair—Sizes 6 to 10½. A special lot; worth 35c pair.

Four Specials

In the Basement Section

CUSPIDORS, 10c—Fancy decorations, 15c to 25c values.

COOKING CROCKS, 10c—6 and 8 qt. sizes, 25c and 35c values.

CAMPHOR BALLS, 10c Box—Large box, Dunenbury's best.

CAMPHORATED, LAVENDER OR CEDAR BALLS, 15c Box—Extra large package, usually sells for 25c.

A New Summer Fabric

That You Should See

Crepe Nouveaute

A dressy summer texture of crepy weave, enlivened with silky Bourette overwork in quaint combinations, and brought out in all fashionable colors of the season.

A costume fabric fully responsive to the taste of those who would be well dressed, but who own but a modest purse.

The Price 25c Yard

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any time within ten days and it will be honored for 50c towards the payment on one dozen pictures sold for $1.50 or more.

TREES OF LOWELL

What They are and What They Ought to be

Interesting Article by Supt. Whittet of Commons Department Suggested by Bill Now Before Legislature to Place Trees in Care of Park Commission

At the present time there is a bill in the legislature providing for the change of authority over the trees along the streets of Lowell from the street department to the park commission and undoubtedly it will become law, as the park commissioners are the proper ones to care for the trees.

With this bill in mind, Supt. Whittet of the commons department, who some time ago started to write a series of articles for the press on subjects pertaining to parks, trees, flowers, etc., takes as the subject for this month's article "The Streets and Trees of Our City: What They Are and What They Ought to be," and treats it in a very interesting manner.

Supt. Whittet writes as follows:

A lack of good management in the general treatment of the street trees of Lowell is the most obvious feature. The causes for this are very evident to anyone who thinks at all about the matter, and discussion of them may be dismissed in saying that it is the purpose of this article to try to point out the way to avoid such a state of affairs in the future, and to correct the existing conditions as far as possible.

The trees have been variously located along the traveled walk: in most cases, between the traveled walk and the curb. Others again, are on the adjoining land just inside the property line. The spacing is unsystematic and many stand too closely together, the necessary thinning having been neglected. Few trees, suitable for city streets, ought to be allowed to stand closer together than forty to fifty feet. On almost every street there is a lack of uniformity in the selection of the kinds. On most of the streets which have been planted there are long distances entirely without trees.

Nearly all have been badly neglected in the matter of pruning. Dead limbs are prevalent everywhere, and are not only unsightly, but are a menace to the health of the trees, and dangerous to passers by underneath by their liability to break off and inflict injury. It may not be feasible to give every large tree that pruning which it seems to demand, but the larger dead limbs certainly ought to be removed. In the case of the younger trees it is to be hoped that all dead limbs may be removed, and that such treatment will be kept up in the future.

No attempt has been made to combat the various insect pests of which there are a number. The worst of these, and the one most in evidence to the general public, is the elm leaf beetle. The most effective way to cope with it is by spraying. Besides the beetle there are the woolly maple bark louse, the fall web worm, the oak pruners, and other insects.

On the whole, the ideal location for a line of street trees is between the property line and the traveled walk. When planted between the traveled walk and the curb they are nearer the dangers which menace them from the street. Placed thus they are within the reach of horses, evidence of their destructive gnawing being altogether too common. The roots are nearer the influence of escaping gas, both illuminating and sewer, and large vital ones which may have extended into the roadway are liable to be cut off whenever the streets are dug up. On the other hand if placed between the traveled walk and the property line these dangers are pretty well eliminated, and there is the advantage that the roots can readily find their way into the adjoining land, and do not have to contend with the asphalt, macadam, or other unsuitable material which may be in the roadway. However, there are cases where on account of the existing layout, it will be impossible to plant trees elsewhere than between the curb and the traveled walk.

Almost any street in the city with trees in it, is an example of what the ideal street ought not to be in this regard. Nesmith street being a well-known thoroughfare may serve as an illustration, combining many features which ought to be remedied, if possible, or avoided in future work. There is no uniformity in the selection of the kinds of trees, taking the street as a whole; rock, red and sycamore maples, elms, European and American lindens, horse chestnuts, and other kinds occur in a heterogeneous mixture, and are variously located. The ideal selection would have been one kind for the entire street, or several kinds, each planted by itself. The distance between two intersecting streets, might, for instance, have been all elms, and between the next two streets European lindens. The pruning of the trees is like that of most of those elsewhere; that is, practically none has been done, and the trees contain a great deal of dead wood. Some of the rock maples have been severely butchered to let wires through their branches. Of late years the rock maples on the street, and on some of the side streets have been dying. Just what the cause is it is difficult to say. However, this fact is an argument in favor of the feeling now gaining ground among experts that the rock maple is unsuited to city conditions. The spacing is in some instances too close, and long stretches occur where there are no trees at all. A great many have been seriously injured on their trunks by the gnawing of horses.

NEAREST TO THE IDEAL

No street in the city affords an example of the ideal. The nearest approach to this is, perhaps, Andover street, but this is one-sided, standing at the western end, and looking eastwardly the general effect is one of uniformity, the American elms predominating to such an extent that they seem on first inspection to be the only kind. A closer inspection reveals an admixture of other trees, irregular spacing, and other defects.

The list of trees adapted to city conditions is a limited one. The ailantus is pre-eminently the tree which stands more adverse city conditions than any other. Smoke and gas do not seem to affect it, apparently no insects attack it, and it will live and grow in a dry location amid asphalt and other pavements. Although for beauty it is not of the first order, it ought, for the foregoing reasons, to be quite extensively used. Others similarly constituted are the European linden and the English elm, both of which are tougher in this respect than the American species. All things considered the best tree for the semi-urban and the suburban parts of a city, where it will have enough room, and where the soil is, at least, fairly good, is the American elm. Its advantages are a high but not too dense shade, the ease with which wires can be passed through its branches, its rapidity of growth, and the beautiful gothic way in which its limbs over-arch a street. Its disadvantages are its lateness in putting out its leaves, its habit of shedding them continuously from about the middle of the summer onward, its earliness in losing them altogether, and its liability to attack by the elm leaf beetle. Although the habitat of the American elm is a moist locality, it does well even if planted where the ground is somewhat dry, seemingly having the power to send its roots a great distance in quest of water. The English elm, however, in other cities adapts itself much better to unfavorable city conditions such as smoke and gas and excessive drainage of the soil. It also holds its leaves during a longer period. Its worst fault is its greater attractiveness for the elm leaf beetle than even the American elm. Nevertheless, it can be highly recommended as a street tree for this city, some other trees for the suburban portions of the city are red, scarlet, black, and pin oaks, horse chestnuts, hackberry, silver and red maples and black walnut. Of all the trees frequently planted the rock maple is probably the worst, although as a park tree it is one of the first merit.

SUPERINTENDANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

Without making recommendations in detail for the future treatment of the streets of Lowell as regards trees it may be well to draw attention to a few thoughts on the subject in order to give an idea as to what might be accomplished if this whole matter were systematically managed under one head.

Let Andover street serve as an example. Its length combined with its straightness makes it adapted to form a fine avenue of trees. It would be well if the comparatively few existing trees, which might interfere with the design of planting were removed, in order to secure that uniformity which is so desirable in city streets. The streets might be planted in sections with the different kinds. A tentative list might be, beginning at its westerly end and going easterly, ailantus, cottonwood, English elm, American elm, pin oak and red oak. On some of the narrower streets and on those streets on which the building line is near to or on the inside line of the sidewalk strip large trees are not feasible. In cases like this the practice followed in some European cities is suggested; namely, that of planting trees which would attain a large size if left to grow naturally, but which in this case are allowed to attain only a certain size and then are practically kept there by severe pruning. Trees so treated have a somewhat unnatural appearance, yet they are better than none at all, and their foliage affords a grateful shade and a pleasant rest for the eye. In regard to other streets it is only necessary to say that there are a great many where planting can be done, but has not been, which will some day need the attention of the tree planter.

A thorough and practical investigation has been made regarding the present system and conditions of the trees within the streets of our city, and has resulted in the gathering of a number of salient facts showing the existence of undesirable conditions and the pressing need of a more systematic and uniform management, and the need of better care and maintenance of the trees at present existing, all the trees standing within the limit of all highways of the city of Lowell, should be planted, maintained and controlled by the city authorities.

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FOUGHT IN PRIVATE

TWO ITALIANS WENT TWENTY-TWO ROUNDS.

BOSTON, March 11—There was a private prize fight in Charlestown last night, intended to be to a finish, but ended as a drawn battle by a stampede of the spectators after the fighters had walked through 22 rounds.

The principals were two Italians, named Capitalucco and Santosuoso. They had a disagreement some weeks ago and it was decided to settle the matter in the ring. So they went into training and each man put up a side bet. Some well-known sporting men were let in and asked to act as officials. The word was passed around last night that all was ready, and in pairs and trios the spectators went to a place that is located so near to the station house in City square, Charlestown, that a stone thrown in its direction would easily strike the place.

When between 75 and 80 had gathered in a little room, up one flight, a ring was formed with a few chairs and the men got ready. A Charlestown man was chosen referee. His advice to the fighters as to rules and for conduct of spectators was heeded during the first few rounds, but in the fifth and sixth rounds, when the men began to slam away at each other in good shape, words of encouragement were shouted to each of them by overzealous admirers.

Occasionally a noise outside caused the spectators to shift about uneasily and glance at the doors and windows. Several times there was danger of a stampede, but the coolness of the referee prevented it.

There was not much choice between the fighters and the battle went along evenly for 10, 15 rounds, then 20 rounds, for the agreement was that the men were to go to a finish.

Even after the men had battled an hour and a half it seemed as if they would be able to continue a dozen rounds more. However, what had been threatening ever since the mill began—a stampede—took place.

The men had finished the 22d round and were being looked after by their seconds when two-thirds of those present suddenly became convinced that the police were going to raid the place.

That was enough. There was a rush in several directions at once, and the middle of the room, which had been closely crowded a moment before, was suddenly cleared of all but the principals and a few others.

It was such a panic-stricken crowd that those who remained indoors expected every moment to see the police appear because of the racket made to get out. The referee saw it was no use to continue the fight then, and the two principals were told to dress and wash up. The battle was called a draw. The men agreed to meet again.

ATTEMPT TO KILL

Soldier Tried to Shoot Girl

WAS JEALOUS OF LILLIAN M. STRAIN

Exciting Affair Occurred in Roxbury

BOSTON, March 11.—Frantic with jealousy, John J. Cunningham, a private in the coast artillery, stationed at Fort Warren, last evening made a desperate attempt to shoot Miss Lillian M. Strain of 68 Magazine street, Roxbury.

Cunningham called at the store, 75 Norfolk avenue, where Miss Strain is employed and which is kept by Frank Lynch, shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and asked to see Miss Strain. He was told that his presence was undesirable, and after a few words left the store.

About 6 o'clock he again called and made a persistent effort to see her. Alarmed at his attitude, Miss Strain asked Mr. Lynch if she might go home. The request, which was granted, was heard by Cunningham, and he declared that he would accompany her to her home.

She appealed to her employer for protection, and Mr. Lynch ordered Cunningham to leave the store. In the dispute which followed between the men, Miss Strain slipped from the store. Cunningham saw her leave and followed her out on Norfolk avenue. Miss Strain fled into the hallway of a house on Gerard street, near the store, with Cunningham in pursuit. He had drawn a revolver from his pocket as he left the store, and the young woman caught sight of it as she ran from the house.

When Cunningham followed her into the entry, he stumbled on the threshold and fell toward the young woman, who was shrieking for help. He ordered her to keep quiet, and, rendered desperate by her position, Miss Strain seized the pistol with one hand, and with the other clung to Cunningham's left arm.

Meantime, her cries for assistance had been heard by Mr. Lynch and Mrs. McDougall, who lives in the house, and they both hurried to her aid. Mrs. McDougall was the first to reach the hallway, and she seized Cunningham in an effort to free the young woman. When Mr. Lynch arrived, the women were thoroughly exhausted by the struggle, and the soldier released Miss Strain and turned upon her employer.

Thrusting the revolver into his face, he commanded him to leave the hallway, but Lynch grappled with him, and in the confusion which followed Miss Strain ran out of the house and called to some men who were standing on the opposite side of the street for help.

A crowd of 50 persons had been attracted to the spot by the tumult, and someone ran to station 9, which is only a short distance away, and told Lieut. Perry. The lieutenant sent all the available men in the house to the scene, but before their arrival Cunningham made his escape.

From those in the neighborhood, patrolmen Keen, McCarthy and Sullivan learned that Cunningham had walked leisurely away in the direction of Hampden street.

The three officers searched the vicinity unsuccessfully for some time, but word was finally received that the man was again in the neighborhood of the store. After Miss Strain had gone home he came back. Mr. Lynch, too, had left, and only a clerk remained in the shop. Cunningham walked in and asked him where the washstand was, and after pointing it out the young man left and sought refuge in the stable.

After washing his hands, Cunningham walked down Norfolk avenue, and the officers were informed that he was near Howard street. They caught sight of him near Prescott street, but Cunningham broke into a run and led them a chase of several blocks before Patrolman McCarthy overhauled him at the corner of Hampden and Howard streets.

He was brought to the station house and locked up, charged with assault with attempt to kill. Before his arrest, however, he got rid of the revolver, and although a number of policemen searched hours, no trace of the weapon could be found.

Cunningham is well known to residents of the neighborhood, where his family has lived for many years. It is said that he had been attentive to Miss Strain before he left for the Philippines, four years ago, where he served in the 7th infantry. He enlisted in the coast artillery only a week ago.

Miss Strain suffered severely from the shock and her throat bore a number of scratches. M. Lynch, also, was roughly used in the scuffle in the hallway.

It is said by the police that Cunningham secured $2 at the fort, with which it is supposed he purchased the revolver.

AT PRIZE DRILL

COMPANY G OF THIS CITY WON HONORS.

A prize drill was held at Everett last night, and nine squads representing nine military companies, competed. The drill was one of the features of a ball conducted by Co. A, of the fifth regiment. Squads from Co. G, 6th regiment of Lowell; Co. B, of the 5th regiment; Co. E of the 6th, Co. A of the 5th, Co. D of the 9th, Co. H of the 5th, Co. L of the 6th, Co. C of the 5th and Co. C of the 8th competed. Company G of this city was the last company to fall, the judges deciding in favor of Co. A of Charlestown, after a searching drill in manual of arms and the load and fire. Co. G was, however, given honorable mention. The men who represented Co. G of this city were: Corp. Charles Draper, the officer in command of the squad; Privates Francis Leclair, James Milotte, Bernard Judge, John Maguire, Milton Knowles, Forest Weeks, William Wyman and Edward Grenier.

BURNED TO DEATH

DOVER WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN HER HOME.

DOVER, N. H., March 11.—Mrs. Crank Mason, aged 80 years, was burned to death at her home on Central avenue last night. She had retired, when a lace curtain in her chamber became ignited from a lighted gas jet, the flames communicating to the bed. Mrs. Mason's body was found on the kitchen floor, where she had succumbed after making her way down stairs.

WENT TO BOSTON

Police Tracing Alleged Greek Murderer

WHITMAN, March 11—The police were notified last evening that Pantilas Cahavritinas, alias Peter Collas, the Greek who is wanted in connection with the murder of Constantine Chipouras at Taunton, had been in town and that he took a train late Wednesday evening for Boston.

The delay in informing the police has given the man considerable of a start, but they hope to be able to locate him.

Wednesday evening, soon after 10 o'clock, a man answering his description was seen on the streets in East Whitman. He was acting strangely and attracted the attention of some of the railroad employes. He hung about the street in the vicinity of the Regal shoe factory for some time, and was then seen walking toward the station.

Not until last evening was it known that he bore any resemblance to the man wanted at Taunton.

Fred Douglas, night operator at the station, saw him Wednesday night and called the attention of conductor E. P. Lewis to him. Mr. Douglas did not at that time think that he was the man wanted in Taunton, but he simply thought that he was acting strangely and that he would bear watching.

He describes the man as about 6 feet in height and weighing about 170 pounds. He had a dark brown moustache, was of athletic build, and when he spoke seemed to take particular pains to disguise his voice. He had a dark overcoat, wore a soft black hat and dark trousers.

On the arrival of the 12 o'clock train last night it was learned from Conductor Lewis that the man left the train at South Braintree, and hung about the station there in the dark until the arrival of the Brockton train for Boston, which he boarded. That was the last that he saw of him.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Court St. Paul, C. O. F., met in regular session last night with a large number of members present and Chief Ranger George Labrie presiding. There were two initiations and four applications in order. This court, while one of the most recent organized, is in a flourishing condition and has a membership of 79.

Th eregular meeting of Elrene lodge, I. O. G. T., was held last night in Pilgrim hall and there were a number of notables of the organization present. The good of the order consisted of the following:

Piano solo by Miss Ivy Hands; reading, Miss Lizzie Huntley; violin solo, by Chief Templar Whiley F. Johnson; essay, "The Temperance Banner," E. S. Varney; piano solo, Miss Inez R. Turnbull; remarks, W. F. Johnson.

The formation of an Elrene lodge orchestra is among the things "to be."

A well attended meeting of Spindle City circle, Companions of the Forest, was held last night, three initiations were reported and five propositions were reported to the body. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for a series of pit parties for members an dfriends.

Bay State Colony, U. O. P. F., held its regular meeting last night, with a well filled hall and did considerable routine business. The next meeting March 24, will be public with an entertainment by the Mozart quartet. Supreme officers will be present.

Lowell lodge, Knights of Pythias, met in regular session last evening and made arrangements for a social and dance to be held at some future date. Grand Keeper of Records and Secretary Charles A. Cross were present and gave an interesting sketch of the order.

HALL DEDICATED

Columbia Council Held Gala Night

The new and beautifully equipped hall of Columbia council, No. 33, Order of the United American Mechanics, in Middle street, was formally dedicated last night. There were a great many out-of-town guests present, and more of the state officers were present than ever before in the history of the council. A fine program consisting of music and readings took place at appropriate intervals. Mrs. Maude McMillen read in a most acceptable manner and the Playano which was loaned by a local music store played different selections.

The dedication service of the state council of Massachusetts was used by the state councillor and the board of state officers. An address was given by ex-State Councillor Frank R. Hayden of Worcester and the topic was "The Principles of the Order."

After an informal and pleasant social fifteen minutes, the dedication came to an end. The officers and many of the members adjourned to Page's dining rooms where a banquet was in order.

The dedication committee which had charge of all arrangements was Russell Fox, chairman; L. E. Durrell, and C. D. Cobb.

GREAT DAMAGE

DONE BY WIND AND RAIN STORM.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The worst rain and wind storm in 13 years swept over this city and along the Pacific coast yesterday, doing much damage to shipping, railroads and frame buildings throughout the state. The storm extended from San Diego to Vancouver island, and it is feared that many marine disasters have occurred along the coast. In this city this morning the barometer reacher 29.23, the lowest record, and the wind registered a velocity of 48 miles an hour, while at Sacramento a gale of 64 miles an hour prevailed. Telegraph and telephone wires were prostrated in every direction and for several hours this city was entirely cut off from the outside world. A train of passenger cars at the Alameda Mole, across the bay, from this city, was blown from the track. The train consisted of an engine, baggage car and three passenger coaches. All were blown over on their sides, but no one was injured. The steeple of St. Paul's church, one of the handsomest in this city, was snapped off and many buildings under construction were badly damaged. A seven-story brick building almost completed at the corner of Bush and Polk streets, was hopelessly wrecked. At the Cliff house, on the beach near the entrance to San Francisco bay, tremendous waves dashed against the rocky shore and sent masses of spray over the bath house, a steel frame building, fifty feet high. Numerous small craft on the bay were blown ashore and the damage to shipping in San Francisco bay will amount to many thousands of dollars. Reports from the interior show that the storm extended over practically the entire state. In the southern portion, where the season has been dry, the rain will greatly benefit crops of all kinds.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIABLE.

The regular monthly social of the young parts of the Sunday school of the Kirk Street Congregational church was held last night. Games of various kinds were enjoyed during the evening, and light refreshments were served.

REINECKE DEFEATED.

RICHMOND, Va., March 11—M. J. Dwyer, champion lightweight wrestler, defeated Charles Reinecke, the Pittsburg champion, here last night.

Seasonable Articles at Unseasonable Prices for Women's Wear

Ladies' Mercerized Cheviot Shirt Waists, slightly soiled, at 59c, reduced from $1.50.

Ladies' Gingham and Madras Shirt Waists, stripes and polka dots, only 48c, a great value for the price.

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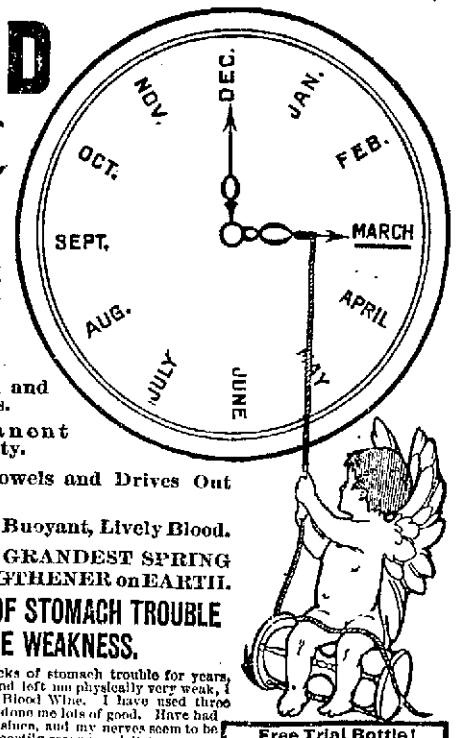

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GERMAN EDITOR

Discusses United States' Position

BERLIN, March 11—Wm. Grunow, editor of Die Grenzboten of Leipsic, in analyzing the play of international interests in the far east, says that the late Field Marshal Von Waldersee, after his return from China, often talked with his close friends on the certainty that the United States would have a leading role there. His solicitude for the future interests of Germany was also connected with the United States' position in far eastern affairs.

Here Grunow does not say where Von Waldersee's utterances end and the editor's begin, but the article continues:

"The United States' attitude towards Japan is understandable because of her commercial relations with Japan and by reason of her aspiration to the hegemony of the Pacific. If the United States should maintain her claims to predominance in the Pacific she must reckon with Japan, either as a friend or an enemy. For the moment the United States' interests require friendly relations with Japan, taking into consideration the limited strength of the American navy and the existence of the British-Japanese alliance. For the time this alliance will check American hegemony on the Asiatic side of the Pacific."

The editor regards an American-British-Japanese alliance as a possibility.

THE COX CHARGES

WILL BE HEARD BY TRUSTEES TODAY.

BOSTON, March 11.—Mayor Collins has called a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Pauper Institute to be held in his office today at 11 o'clock.

All sorts of rumors were flying around City hall yesterday as to the significance of this action on the part of the mayor.

It was reported yesterday that the mayor had something up his sleeve; that the trustees had incurred his displeasure in not following out certain suggestions which he made some time ago regarding the financial management of the institutions.

The board up to the present time has gone almost to the limit in the matter of expenditure of money this year. Under the law the trustees are allowed to incur debts to the extent of one-third of last year's appropriation. This amounted to $160,000 last year and one-third would be $53,000. Already it is said that of this amount $42,000 has been expended and the trustees will be obliged to wait more than a month for this year's appropriation. By this figuring it is claimed by some of the trustees that the two-thirds of the appropriation of this year will be expended long before the year is out, leaving the institution to meet a large deficit.

Mayor Collins is reported to be very much displeased with the many troubles that have arisen over the conduct of the Long Island institution, and the law is likely to be laid down to the trustees today, having for its object a reform in the management of the institution.

Directly after the session with the Mayor, the trustees will give a hearing to Dr. Cox, acting superintendent at Long Island, on the complaint made by the six waiters who were ordered off the island by him on Tuesday evening for alleged insubordination.

ALDERMAN JAMES F. MISKELLA, AUTHOR OF THE BILL.

CONDUIT BILL

Hearing Held at State House

Alderman Miskella's conduit bill was taken up by the committee on mercantile affairs at the state house yesterday.

At the same time a general bill, accompanying the petition of David A. Munroe, authorizing the city of Chelsea, or any other city of less than 200,000 inhabitants which might accept the provisions of the act to construct such conduits, was also taken up.

John J. Hogan, Esq., represented the city of Lowell as his brother, City Solicitor Hogan, is confined to his home by illness. He referred to the many fatalities in large cities caused by overhead wires, and stated that there is no question that they are dangerous. He argued that the cities have no power to do anything with the companies, and the result is a perfect network of wires in the business districts and an objectionable and dangerous number in the outlying districts. The city of Lowell had passed orders compelling the companies to put their wires underground, but there was much doubt as to whether or not the city had any real power to enforce such a demand. Some of the companies had complied with it in part, but this was more to prevent an appeal being made to the legislature for more power in such matters than because the city has any real rights under the present law.

In Lowell there are four companies, all of which will want conduits of their own, said Mr. Hogan. This would result in a chaotic condition of affairs and the streets would be constantly torn up for the purpose of repairing broken wires or cables. The argument that cities should not go into a business enterprise of this sort was put up years ago against allowing cities to supply water to their inhabitants, but the theory was exploded at that time. Some conduits have been constructed in Lowell, but the overhead wires are still a nuisance. The general bill introduced by Chelsea parties would be satisfactory to Lowell. There was nothing in either bill to compel the companies to give up those conduits which they have already constructed.

Alderman Miskella told the committee that the people of Lowell have arrived at that point where they are opposed to granting any more pole locations. He dwelt on the proposition that a franchise is a valuable asset. He believed that conditions in the city of Lowell warrant the passage of this conduit bill.

James F. McElhohn, wire inspector, also favored the petition.

Everett W. Burdett, representing the Massachusetts Electric Lighting association, opposed the petition.

SHERIFF ATTACKED

WHILE SERVING PAPERS ON MILLIONAIRE BREWER.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., March 11.—The divorce case of Annie G. Hand against her husband, Michael Hand, Jr., the millionaire brewer of this city, is to be resumed. A sensational development in the case occurred shortly before 6 o'clock last evening, when Deputy Sheriff Daniel L. McGinn proceeded to the Hand residence on Mendon avenue to serve the citation, which was issued yesterday by Judge Tillinghast in the supreme court. Special Policeman McEwan accompanied McGinn, as it was anticipated that there might be some trouble.

This anticipation proved well founded. Blows were struck by both men. Deputy Sheriff McGinn claims that Mr. Hand was the aggressor in the mix-up which occurred. When McGinn approached Mr. Hand the latter, who is well acquainted with the sheriff through past experiences in connection with the case, advanced to meet him, and, using an oath, said: "What, you here again?" McGinn says that as he started to read the summons Hand attempted to rough it with him, but an upper cut to the jaw pinned the defendant against the fence in front of the house. The reading of the writ was accomplished with much difficulty, and after finishing the sheriff thrust a copy of the citation into the hand of Mr. Hand. The special officer stepped in at the right time to prevent any further trouble.

The charges set up by Mrs. Hand in her latest petition for separation from her husband are continued drunkenness and cruelty, the same as when the case was on trial before in the supreme court. She also applies for the custody of her four children. Her petition for an injunction restraining Mr. Hand from disposing of stock to the amount of $200,000 was also granted by Judge Tillinghast. The hearing is set for Saturday morning in the supreme court.

FINE SCORES

MADE BY LIEUT. "BILLY" GANNON.

Lieut. W. C. Gannon, the crack rifle shot of the 4th regiment, N. G. N. G., whose home is in this city, paid a visit last week to the range of the 9th regiment in New York, at the invitation of Dr. W. C. Hadson, surgeon of the latter regiment, who also is an expert marksman. The lieutenant shot fifty shots off hand for a record with the following results.—

Gannon	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 4 5 5	—49
"	4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	—49
"	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	—50
"	5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	—49
"	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	—50

247 out of 250.

Lieut. Sheppard and many other prominent local nimrods were present at the exhibition at which telescopes were levelled on every shot to determine the accuracy of the shot.

Distance, 100 yards, on reduced U. S. army target.

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY

OBSERVED BY LOCAL STATIONARY FIREMEN'S UNION.

The members of the local Stationary Firemen's union observed the seventh anniversary of the union with a jolly time in Bay State hall, last evening. A business meeting preceded the festivities. Refreshments were served, speeches were made by John Barrett, Frederick Knight, and a sketch of the order given by Hugh J. Gallagher and songs were sung by Hugh Roach and others. The local union organized March 4, 1898 with 175 members. The union offered its services in the Spanish-American war and although the offer was graciously set aside several of the members volunteered and two died in the service, Michael Conroy, who was with Capt. Wainwright on the Gloucester, and Charles Williams, who served under Funston when the latter captured Aguinaldo. Williams contracted malarial fever in Manila and died soon after.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

TUXO CLUB

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

A well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Tuxo club, Lowell, No. 192, was held last night, in its rooms in the Associate building, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, William H. Grady; vice-president, Ed. Stiles; secretary, F. A. M. Tobin; treasurer and collector general, Eben Stafford.

A committee on arrangements, which had been previously appointed upon the proper observance of Patriot's day, made a very unique report in which they outlined a most elaborate program for the entertainment, enjoyment and edification of the members and their numerous friends.

FUNERALS

KENDALL—The funeral of Augusta V. Kendall was attended by many relatives and friends at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. W. Allen, No. 47 Hadley street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. Louis Dexter read appropriate selections of Scripture and offered prayer. The body was placed in the tomb at the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Henry and William Cheever, Henry Flarell and Fred Feltch. Undertaker Ela had charge of the arrangements.

BUSSIERE—The funeral of Mrs. Frederic Bussiere took place yesterday from her residence, 5 Tache place, Tucker street, and the funeral services were held at St. Joseph's church. Rev. Fr. Brillard, O. M. I. officiated. The bearers were Joseph Delisle, Japhet Ferland, Gilbert Ferland and Arthur Lavoie. The body was entombed at St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

HANCHETT—Mrs. Mary H. Hanchett, widow of Joshua Hanchett, passed away after a lingering illness at her residence, 89 Dover street, last evening, at the age of 63 years.

Mrs. Hanchett was born in Dracut, being the daughter of Obdiah and Hannah Richardson.

The deceased leaves to mourn her loss three children, Charles Hanchett, Frank Hanchett and Mrs. Fred C. Church, all of this city; also two brothers, George and Munroe Richardson of Wisconsin.

DEATHS

MALONEY—Mrs. Nellie W. Maloney, wife of Patrick Maloney, died at the Lowell hospital last evening, aged 26 years. Besides her husband she leaves two children, a brother and sister in Ireland and four sisters in this country, Mrs. Martin Gardner and Mrs. Martin Pendergast of this city, Mrs. Lawrence Quinn of Lynn and Mrs. Mary Carpenter of Woburn. Undertaker O'Donnell removed the body to the home, 31 Franklin court.

HOWARD—Frank Howard died Wednesday at 358 Lowell street, Lawrence, Mass. The body was sent to this city. Mr. Howard leaves a wife, Mrs. Frank Howard, a sister, Mary K. Howard of Boston, two brothers, John of Winchester, Mass., and Everett of this city.

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PERSONALS

Mr. Edward J. Francis, a former Lowell boy, now a civil engineer employed by Uncle Sam surveying and gauging the Mississippi river, was a guest of honor at the Mardi Gras carnival at Natchez, Miss.

SPECIAL FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!

5 for 1 Trading Stamps 5 for 1

on Iron Beds, Parlor Tables and Hallstands. Compare our prices with the lowest and figure how many stamps you gain in your bargain.

W. F. DEVLIN 201 GORHAM STREET OPP. UNION ST.

FURNITURE, CARPETS, RANGES

Special at Keyes' Auction

SATURDAY AT 11 O'CLOCK

Three very good, all-round business horses. One brown horse, weighing 1250 lbs., a good worker and good driver for a large horse; brown mare, weighing 1200 lbs., extra good worker either single or double; black horse, weighing 1200 lbs., will make a right good business horse for some one.

The above three horses have been used right here in the city all winter.

Come and see us at ADAMS'

CHIFFONIER

For $4.98.

This price is for tomorrow, and we give 3 stamps for 1 on every one sold. A large, roomy case, containing five drawers. Well constructed, of seasoned ash wood in the golden oak color. Every housekeeper will tell you that the chiffonier is a very convenient piece of furniture.

ADAMS & CO.,
Furniture, Rugs, Carpets,
174 Central St.

Appleton Bank Block.

BIG CUT IN PRICES --- LAST CALL

For smart money savers now is the best chance for you to secure a great bargain. We must make room for new spring goods, besides we need the money very much you know! Little money will buy a good respectable garment for next winter and this is the only and best way to save money, as many ladies bought the same garments in the beginning of the season for more than twice as much and will wear them the next winter too, so this is your last opportunity. Don't miss this sale. THIS IS NO BLUFF SALE.

Skirts that were marked down after Christmas:
From $15 to $12, last call..... $6.50
From $10 to $8, last call..... $4.50
From $5 to $4, last call..... $2.50
From $4 to $3, last call..... $1.98
Peau de Soie and Taffeta Silk Waists were marked down after Christmas:
From $7 to $4, last call..... $1.98
Woolen Waists:
From $3 to $2, last call..... $1.00
All others..... $15.75

Jackets that were marked down after Christmas:
From $25 to $18, last call..... $10.00
From $18 to $12, last call..... $7.00
From $12 to $8, last call..... $5.00
From $9 to $6, last call..... $3.50
Suits that were marked down after Christmas:
From $18 to $14, last call..... $7.00
From $15 to $9, last call..... $5.50
Many other bargains too numerous to mention. Capes almost given away.

The RELIABLE, Cooper's Cloak and Suit Store, 320 Merrimack Street, Near Merrimac House

Spring Things Ready AT THE MERRIMACK

THE new Top Coats, Rain Coats, Suits, Hats, Shirts and Neckwear are ready for the man who wants an early choice.

The strong early showing is another evidence of Merrimack progression — the completeness in all departments—stocks of wearables for men carefully selected, long enough ahead to get good choosing — ready for you when you want them and early enough to insure a good choosing for you.

Merrimack supremacy is shown in the smart and snappy suits and top coats—in the exclusive fabrics—in the careful Jour tailoring, improving each season—features associated with the Merrimack—but more noticeable this spring season of 1904.

We invite your inspection and criticism of the spring styles.

Top Coats, Light Overcoats, Rain Coats

Short, medium, long—which will it be?

Each is correct and each has its advantages. The Top Coat is smart in appearance, and is a handy coat to walk in—no skirts flopping about your legs.

It is 32 inches long and comes in Covert cloths of tan, olive and oxford—also plain black.

The Spring Overcoat is 40 inches long, and made to wear over dress clothes. It comes in plain black and oxford mixtures—plain or silk lined.

The Rain Coat is 52 inches long, and is an all round garment—it looks well in fine weather and protects you when it rains.

Rain coats come largely in fancy mixtures—from the very neat effects to the lively overplaids—also plain black and oxford mixtures.

It's a handy garment for the traveler—it's ready for any change in the weather. Each kind starts at $10.00 and goes as high as $25.00.

The hand finish begins in the $15.00 range. We invite your inspection.

Flat Brims

It must be a flat brim whether a derby or a soft hat—Fashion has decreed so.

The college boys wore them the last part of last season, and the makers took their cue from them for spring.

Of course many won't have the flat brims—we've staple shapes for them.

But the flat brim is the thing in hats—and you'll find the Merrimack hat stock in close touch with the fashion makers.

Have you seen the Yorick? It's the leading $3.00 derby—it has plenty of style, not extreme, and the quality makes the $5.00 hat man feel sick.

Then the Merrimack at $2.00—it's remarkable how we keep up the standard, considering the greater cost of everything going into a hat—but we do, and that's what concerns you.

Several new Golf shapes received yesterday—flat brims again—and wide—the kind the young fellows like. Don't wait [illegible]—buy the spring hat this week.

The Merrimack Clothing Company ACROSS FROM CITY HALL...

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	To Boston. Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	From Boston. Arr.
6.43	8.50	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.30	7.26
a6.39	7.30	7.35	8.55
a6.45	7.53	8.25	9.02
a7.01	8.02	e9.00	5.37
e7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
57.31	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.58
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.43	12.25	e3.00	5.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.59	4.14	5.30
e1.36	2.39	e5.00	5.37
a3.03	4.20	5.38	6.25
a3.47	4.80	a5.47	6.54
4.25	5.39	6.14	7.39
e5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
e6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
e7.29	8.20	11.20	12.22

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
a8.39	7.30	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
9.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
a8.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
a4.25	5.30	a8.30	9.08
a5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	To Boston. Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	From Boston. Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.10	8.54
8.00	8.64	9.25	10.52
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.36	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.50	5.50
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.08	6.43	8.30	10.40
6.15	7.15	B11.15	12.15
7.00	8.00		
9.25	10.39		

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	8.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	5.37
5.30	6.55		
8.00	9.06		

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e Express.

g From Middlesex Street Station only.

B Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

LOCAL NEWS

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Lawler Printing Co., 29 Prescott St.

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We give Light Blue Discount Stamps. The Lowell One Price Clothing Co., 72 to 86 Merrimack street. Ask for them.

Rev. Charles G. Ray, D. D., president of Andover Theological seminary, will preach at the Highland Congregational church this evening in the Lenten scheme of exchanges.

Mr. Elias Mooney and Mrs. Nancy Clark, who were married last Tuesday, were given a reception by their friends and presented valuable tokens of esteem. Mr. and Mrs. Mooney are spending their honeymoon in Boston. They will reside on Tyler street, where they will be at home to their friends after April 9.

For the first time in many years we are to have a parade on St. Patrick's day, and everybody should celebrate by decorating their houses and places of business. C. H. Young, the decorator, is prepared to receive orders and in order to do the work you must place your orders at once with him. Telephone call 633-12, or send postal to C. H. Kimball's, 119 Central street.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Dr. D. L. Washburn, dentist, desires to announce the opening of his new office, rooms 1, 2, 3, in the Mansur building, No. 97 Central street, over Brazer's. Hours, 9 to 12 and 2 to 5. Evenings by appointment. Telephone 936-12.

EARLY MORNING FIRES.

A telephone alarm at 6.15 o'clock this morning summoned a portion of the fire department to a lively blaze on the roof of a house belonging to J. Purcell, in First street, near the corner of Read street. The fire was caused by a spark from a chimney on another house setting fire to the shingles.

At five minutes past nine this morning a still alarm summoned a portion of the Fletcher street engine company to a chimney fire in a house belonging to W. W. Richardson in Willie street.

WHIST PARTY

WANNALANCIT CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MR. AND MRS. D. S. O'BRIEN.

The Wannalancit Whist club held its seventh meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. O'Brien, 15 Marsh street, Wednesday evening, and as on former occasions the evening was most thoroughly enjoyed. Four tables at progressive whist were arranged and the game was enjoyed from 8 until 10 o'clock. During the progress of whist Mrs. D. J. Devine presided at the piano. At the conclusion of whist the prizes were awarded to Mrs. E. F. Slattery, winning the lady's prize, and Mr. M. H. Reidy the gentleman's, the consolation prize going to Mr. T. F. Maguire. The party then repaired to the dining-room where a palatable repast was prepared by the hostess. After partaking of the good things provided, other diversions were taken up, such as music, readings and merry making during which piano selections were rendered by Mrs. Devine and Miss Julia Slattery, and vocal selections by Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Slattery and Mr. Peter A. Clune and a grand chorus by the members of the club. Mr. Clune rendered several character sketches which added much to the enjoyment of the evening's entertainment. The party which was one of the most successful of the season wound up at midnight.

ANOTHER DEBATE

STEVENS SOCIETY RECEIVES A CHALLENGE.

At the regular meeting of the Solon W. Stevens Debating club last evening, Harold Cuverley gave a talk on "Personalities in the U. S. Senate."

A challenge for a debate was received from a society of the Grace Universalist church and in all probability it will be accepted. Two new members were admitted.

ALL THE MAGAZINES

Are on our tables at the earliest moment after publication. No lack of good matter to select from. Every periodical of any merit is represented in our large list. We lose no time in bringing good literature and readers together. Subscriptions received for all the magazines at regular rates.

HARRIS, 10 APPLETON STREET

CLUB PASSE TEMPS

DEFEATED HAVERHILL RIVALS LAST EVENING.

The Club Passe Temps defeated its Haverhill rivals at whist last evening by a score of 429 to 411. The game took place in Vincent hall.

HARVARD PROFESSOR

WANTS TO SEE RUSSIA BADLY BEATEN.

BOSTON, March 11.—Professor Leo Wiener of the department of Slavic languages at Harvard university, and a native of Russia, in the course of an address before the Victorian club at the Hotel Nottingham last night, said:

"I do not wish to see Russia win in this present contest; I would much rather see her badly whipped, for the sake of the reactionary effect it would have on the home country affairs. We do not know what Japan would do, but we do know exactly what Russia would do."

Continuing, Professor Weiner said: "Russia can not possibly provision 15,000 soldiers in the field for very long. Russia is not going to fight any great battles, I think. She may try to wear Japan out but she can't get enough soldiers on the ground. Russia will probably retire to the interior and try to starve Japan out."

Replying to a question regarding the chances of a Russian revolution, Prof. Weiner said:

"It is a question if there is now such an element strong enough. If there should be a revolution it would be the bloodiest the world has ever seen, for while the Russian is meek, simple and kind on one side, he is savage and brutal on the other, and there would be plenty of burning and killing."

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

COMPLETES ARRANGEMENTS FOR RECEPTION OF THE IRISH DELEGATE.

The executive committee of the United Irish League met last night and heard reports on the arrangements for the home rule demonstration at Huntington hall next Sunday night. Everything points to a rousing reception to the Irish delegate, Conor O'Kelly, M. P.

A feature of the meeting, particularly interesting to the older Irish residents, will be the singing of Irish airs in the Gaelic tongue by Miss Ellen A. McLaughlin, an eminent vocalist of Boston. Mr. O'Kelly will arrive in Lowell at 6 o'clock and will reach Huntington hall at 7.45, so that he can shake hands with his friends from Mayo, Roscommon and other parts of Ierland before the meeting.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. Fr. Lewis, O. M. I., has returned to this city after a three weeks' missionary tour in Dodgeville and Attleboro, Mass. After a week's rest he will go to Plattsburg, N. Y., on another mission.

Rev. Fr. Jacques of St. Louis' church is confined to his house with the grip.

Yesterday was mid-Lent and a day of festivities among the French people.

Laval university of Quebec, has founded a dental school at Montreal and Dr. Joseph Nolin, brother of Rev. Fr. Nolin, O. M. I., of this city, has been appointed vice-president and registrar of the new school.

The new Court St. Paul, 1436, C. O. F., met last evening and received 14 applications. Two were initiated and one balloted upon.

The Cercle St. Jean L'Aumonier held a special meeting last evening to elect officers for the ensuing six months, the election giving the following results: President, Miss Annie Dumas; vice president, Miss Rose Anna Racette; treasurer, Miss Elzire Landry; recording secretary, Miss Maria Desnulniers; corresponding secretary, Miss Bernadette Perron; auditors, Miss Adrienne Desrosiers, Miss Minnie Leblanc.

Miss Mabel Grover has accepted a position as stenographer with the J. C. Ayer Co.

WRESTLING NOTES

Owing to a dispute between Billy Ladue and James Prokos, the wrestlers who are to meet in Huntington hall tonight, the bout will not be referred by Hon. E. F. O'Sullivan of Lawrence, as announced, but in all probability by Tom Scully of this city. It appears that Dick Casey was the original choice, but on account of the fact that Cailery and Rogers, two pupils of Casey, were training Prokos with a guarantee that they could show him how to defeat Ladue, the latter objected to Casey.

When the management announced that "Nedo" Sullivan of Lawrence would referee. This was met with opposition by the Greek, who claimed that he had not been consulted relative to the choice of Mr. O'Sullivan, and who asked for a man unknown to both. At last accounts Tom Scully appeared to have the call. Larry Thyne, the ancient historian, will hold the watch. With a Frenchman and a Greek contesting and an Irishman for referee there certainly ought to be a chance for all nations to enthuse.

Charlie Reinecke, who recently wrestled in Lowell and who is a brother-in-law of Harvey Parker, incited Charles Leonhardt of Newark the other night in a match at Orange, N. J., armory. The Worcester wrestler lost because of inability to hold off Leonhardt at the catch-as-catch-can style of wrestling. Reinecke won at catch-as-catch-can style in 18 minutes and 40 seconds, but the next two bouts at Graeco-Roman were taken by Leonhardt in 8 minutes and 20 seconds and 9 minutes and 30 seconds. The men will come together in a straight catch-as-catch-can match on March 21, at which no holds will be barred. Reinecke looks upon this as a strong point in his favor and he will make a play to topple over Leonhardt.

MRS. E. TURNER

Superfluous Hair and Moles removed, also Facial Massaging. 64 Central St., rm. 5

THE LATEST WAR NEWS

A dispatch from Japan says: The Japanese goods are liable to be higher at any moment, so don't miss this opportunity. It is a chance of a lifetime. We are having a clearance sale of all Japanese and eastern art work. We give you 25 to 75 per cent. discount on all goods. Come in and examine our prices. The only sale of its kind ever offered in Lowell. THE ORIENTAL BAZAAR, 313 Merrimack street.

Tickets

To and from England, Ireland and Scotland on the Cunard, White Star and Dominion Lines at lowest rates.

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LOT 1. Choice - - - - - $1.90
Worth $4.00 and $5.00

LOT 2. Choice - - - - - $2.90
Worth $6.00 and $7.00

LOT 3. Choice - - - - - $3.90
Worth $9.00 and $10.00

New Waists

WAISTS AND PRICES TO SUIT EVERYBODY

SPECIAL LOT—To close out. Choice 98c
Some were $3.00

New Suits

SEE the special Light Mixtures at $10.75

SEE the special Eton Suits, nicely tailored, Black, Blue and Brown, at - $10.98

SEE our Misses' Eton Suits, Light Mixtures at $9.75

SEE our Misses' Suits, half tight fitting, Light Mixtures, Special at $10.98

SEE OUR COMPLETE LINE OF NEW SPRING SUITS, PRICES, $9.75, $10.75, $10.98, $12.98, $14.75, $15.75, $16.75, $18.75, $19.75, UP TO $42.50.

New Jackets

SEE OUR COMPLETE LINE OF JACKETS. ALL STYLES

GET OUR PRICES BEFORE BUYING

We Control Stores in Providence, Fall River, Brockton and New Bedford.

The Oldest Established Cloak House in Lowell. Under New Management.

New York Cloak & Suit Co.

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Double Green or Blue Stamps Saturday — 2 Instead of 1 — Double Green or Blue Stamps Saturday

2 for 1

New Idea Shoe Co.

121 MERRIMACK STREET

Double Green or Blue Trading Stamps Saturday

We Are Also Closing Out Our Rubber Goods Below Cost

THINK OF IT

Over 200 Cases Ladies' 50c Storm Cut or Croquet Rubbers in all widths and good wide toes. We can fit any shoe. All sizes, 2 1-2 to 8 - - - - - - - - Sale Price 29c pr

Misses' Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, all sizes. Sale Price 25c pr

Men's Storm Cut or Self Acting Rubbers, All Sizes and up to date Toes. Sale Price - - 49c pr

Men's $2.50 and $3.00 Heavy Box Calf Leather Lined or Duck Lined Shoes (Goodyear Welt) Every Pair Warranted. Sale Price $1.98 pr

Ladies' $1.50 Heavy Sole, Solid Leather, pat. tip Shoes Sale Price 98c pr

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"The Black Sheep Suit"

Talbot's Latest Special

A $10.00 Suit for $7.75

"The Black Sheep Suit" is made in our own work rooms, from strictly all wool, fast black cheviot. It is strongly made, well trimmed, cut on the latest patterns—in fabric, fit and finish, it is equal and in many cases superior to black suits sold as extra value at $10. You can buy *"The Black Sheep Suit"* of us in both double and single breasted styles, in all sizes from 34 to 44, while they last, at - - - - $7.75

Rain Coat Special

$12 and $15 Rain Coats $9.75

We offer as a special leader, five styles of New Rain Coats in nobby patterns. Clean, well made coats, of the latest cut, all long and full and made with a half belt, as thoroughly rain proof as the higher priced coats and fully as swell in appearance. They are worth today $12 and $15, but we offer them as a leader at - $9.75

Shawknit Hosiery Special

Fine cashmere, worsted and heavy wool Shawknit Hose, all 50c grade. This lot is slightly imperfect and is offered at 15c pr.

50c Shawknit Hose for 15 Cents

The Talbot Clothing Co.

"THE DAYLIGHT STORE"

AMERICAN HOUSE BLOCK, CENTRAL ST.

THE WEATHER
Rain or snow tonight and Saturday. Fresh to brisk east to north winds, increasing. Brisk to high northwest winds this afternoon and tonight.

THE LOWELL SUN

6 O'CLOCK

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ANOTHER BATTLE

Russians Attacked Japanese Fleet

ST. PETERSBURG, March 11—7.10 p. m.—The Russian torpedo boat flotilla left Port Arthur at daylight today and attacked the Japanese fleet. One Japanese torpedo boat was sunk and one Russian torpedo boat destroyed, the Bezposhchadni was sunk. The fate of the latter's crew is not known.

AMERICANS OFFER TO AID RUSSIA

ST. PETERSBURG, March 11—Olfol Peterson of Brooklyn, N. Y., has sent $500 to the Grand Duke Alexis, the high admiral, for the relief of the survivors of the Russian gunboat Korietz and the armored cruiser Varing, sunk off Chemulpo by the Japanese, as a mark of sympathy with the bravery of the crews.

George S. Cassidy of New Bedford, Mass., writes to the Novoe Vremya that he was with the Russian Red Cross society in South Africa and says thousands of Americans are ready to help Russia and are willing to equip a Red Cross detachment. He declares Russia has more friends in the United States than any other country.

Twenty supernumerary colonelcies have been created, which will be bestowed for distinguished services.

CAPT. MATSUMURA'S STORY OF BATTLE

CHICAGO, March 11.—Capt. Matsumura, who acted as signal officer on the Mikasa, Admiral Togos' flagship, during the first attack on Port Arthur on February 9, tells a graphic story of the fight in the columns of the Jiji Shimpo, Japan's most widely circulated newspaper, of the date of Feb. 15. Copies of the paper have just been received by Shezaburo Shimizu, Japanese consul for Chicago. The account by Capt. Matsumura is the first from a Japanese eye-witness. The captain was wounded in the foot as he stood on the bridge of the Fuji by a shell from one of the Port Arthur batteries.

Capt. Matsumura's story reveals the fact that the Japanese battleship Fuji was badly damaged but not disabled by Russian shells, while two of his officers, Commander Nakayama and Lieut. Miemra were killed by a single shell while standing on the bridge.

Capt. Matsumura's description of the naval battle and the events leading up to it is as follows:

"Admiral Togo called the captain of the allied fleet to his flagship in Sasebo harbor Feb. 6. Plans were discussed, but of course not revealed. At 2 o'clock that afternoon the fleet left the harbor.

"At 8 a. m., on Feb. 7, smoke was noticed on the horizon. The Tsukushi was despatched to investigate and discovered the Russian steamer Rossia, which was captured.

"Shortly after this prize was taken Rear Admiral Uriu and one of the divisions of the fleet started for Chemulpo. Admiral Togo directed the hoisting of signal flags that read 'Attack the enemy's boats as soon as they are seen.'

"Late that day a Russian torpedo boat chaser was seen and shots were exchanged at a distance of about 3900 metres.

"The second class cruiser Chitose and two other smaller vessels were despatched at 9 a. m., on Feb. 9, toward Port Arthur to reconnoitre. They reported sighting five of the enemy's boats who fired on them. The fortress did not fire, so Admiral Togo signalled 'Attack the main fleet at once.'

"As the Japanese fleet proceeded toward Port Arthur they were met coming out of the harbor by a Japanese and a Russian merchantman, the Manchuria. The Russian vessel was captured without firing a shot.

"At 11 a. m., at a distance of ten knots from Port Arthur one of the enemy's scout boats was sighted and two shots were sent after it. It returned to the harbor.

"Then the Japanese fleet formed in fighting line and approached the harbor. We saw the Russian men of war trying to get back under the shelter of the fort guns. The Mikasa fired first and then raised the attacking flag, the enemy answered and the engagement became general. The Russian shells fell short but the fire from the fortress damaged the fleet slightly.

"Our men behaved splendidly. They showed no excitement but great enthusiasm in their work at the guns. We wished to continue the fire, but the shells from the shore batteries were falling at alarming close range and we feared the torpedo boats, so the signal was given to retire.

"The casualties in this first attack on Port Arthur were: Killed, two officers, three non-commissioned officers, one man; seriously wounded, two officers, one non-commissioned officer, four midshipmen and 18 men; slightly wounded, four officers, five non-commissioned officers and 25 men."

RUSSIAN ACCOUNT OF NAVAL BATTLE

ST. PETERSBURG, March 11—1.50 p. m.—Copies of the Novikral of Port Arthur which have just arrived here contain the first detailed Russian description of the naval battle at Port Arthur Feb. 9. It says:

"The Russian squadron, which was prepared to resist attack when the Japanese were sighted by the scouts, was composed of the battleships Petropavosk, flagship; Peresviet, Poltava, Sevastopol, Pobieda, armored cruiser Bayan, protected cruisers Diana, Askold Boyarin and Novik, and the transport Ahgara. The battleships Retvizan and Czarevich, which had been torpedoed on the previous night, were too badly injured to participate.

"At 4 o'clock in the morning four Japanese cruisers rounded the Liaotishan promontory and then headed southeast, with the intention of drawing the Russians in pursuit. The fast Bayarin was sent out to reconnoitre. She returned at 10.35 and signalled the approach of a large Japanese fleet, which was sighted at 11.07 a. m. It was composed of 12 vessels, six battleships and six cruisers. They were steaming in line abreast. Four of the cruisers took up a position behind the heavier ships. The Japanese opened fire at four miles and the Russians immediately replied. The latter, which had been disposed in line, altered their position, the Askold and Boyarin advancing abreast of Liaotin rock and the Novik moving down the coast towards Liaotishan while the Bayan advanced and led the rest of the fleet between the heavier vessels of Russian enemy and the coast. The land batteries followed the fleet into action. Viceroy Alexieff and his staff observing the engagement from Golden hill.

"The enemy steamed to within 40 cables length (about 8000 yards) at the end of half an hour; in three-quarters of an hour approached to within 25 cables length (5000 yards), and then heading about toward the south.

"The Russian protected cruiser Pallada, although torpedoed and ashore, participated in the action. The Russian torpedo boats awaited the order to attack, east of the squadron, but the enemy did not approach within the distance desired."

The account concludes:

"Although the enemy's squadron was composed of the best ships, the fleet soon disappeared in the mist which veiled the horizon.

"The enemy's fire was directed chiefly against the Golden hill and electric search light station, upon which the Japanese rained a perfect storm of shells. Many shells fell in the west basin, a few even reaching Quail hill.

"Only the Novik, Askold and Diana sustained injuries.

"Toward the end of the engagement a column of steam and smoke poured out of one of the Japanese vessels and it is believed she sank."

The Novikral says it was later learned that six of the enemy's ships were damaged and that 150 men were killed or wounded. The Russian losses are given by the Novikral correspondent with the official reports.

RUSSIAN LOSS NUMBERS 2000 MEN

LONDON, March 11—The Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard says that the Russian losses on the Yalu river in the fights of the past few days will reach a total of 2000 men.

The spirit of the Russian troops, he says, who are largely recruits, has been broken by starvation, cold and harsh treatment from their officers.

He reports also that the Russians are withdrawing all their superfluous troops from Port Arthur to Harbin and Kurin because of the shortness of provisions at Port Arthur and the probability that they cannot hold it.

JAPANESE PRISONERS PARADED IN STREETS

TIEN TSIN, March 11—One officer and four Japanese soldiers who recently were captured near Wiju, Korea, were paraded through the streets of Mukden on Tuesday, March 8.

On Feb. 20, Major General Pflug, chief of staff of Viceroy Alexieff, telegraphed from Port Arthur to St. Petersburg that a number of Cossacks marching from Wiju had captured a Japanese major named Tatura with five soldiers and two civilians. Another despatch from Port Arthur of the same date stated that a picket of Cossacks had captured some Japanese on whom they found maps and papers.

THE RUSSIAN ARMY WILL BE DETAINED

MUKDEN, Manchuria, March 11—It is officially announced that in consequence of the many conflicting accounts of the landing of Japanese troops at different points and the various reports of the intentions of the Japanese commanders, the Russian army corps which has arrived at Harbin will be detained there.

It will be most difficult to find accommodations for this great body of troops and their detention at Harbin will entail much hardship on the soldiers.

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MANY RUSSIANS

Fled to Escape Army Service

NEW YORK, March 11—Of the 2065 steerage passengers brought here by the steamship Graf Waldersee and landed at Ellis island today, fully 1800 are Russians, many of them, it is said, being refugees who fled to escape possible army service against Japanese. An imperial edict issued several weeks ago suspended the issuing of passports to any male between the ages of 11 and 45, the prescribed period of army service, the result being accorded to some of those on the Graf Waldersee, a large exodus from all the villages within reach of the frontier.

BALKAN TROUBLE

Believed to Have Been Settled

ROME, March 11—From a reliable source it is asserted that the Russo-Italian negotiations regarding the Balkans have resulted in an understanding, which, it is believed, will render Austrian-Italian intervention unlikely. It appears that the two powers were ready if the Macedonian reform scheme fails or a new uprising occurs, to ask for the collective intervention of the powers signatory of the treaty of Berlin. Because of this change in the situation, it is added, that the meeting of the Balkan revolutionary leaders, which was to have taken place in Venice at the end of the month will not occur.

STUDENTS RIOT

GERMANS AND CZECHS IN A FREE FIGHT.

VIENNA, March 11.—Serious rioting between German and Czech students today, culminated in a free fight. About seven hundred Germans held an elevated approach to the university and two hundred Czechs stormed the position. The Germans overpowered their assailants, whom they pitched down the steps and over the balustrades. Forty students were wounded.

Reports from Prague, Bohemia, say the police stations there are filled with students and other rioters. The ultimate proclamation of martial law at Prague is threatened.

THE CANAL ZONE

MATTER TAKEN UP BY HOUSE COMMITTEE.

WASHINGTON, March 11—The house committee on interstate and foreign commerce today began a series of hearings to determine the necessity and character of legislation for the government of the canal zone on the isthmus of Panama.

Rear Admiral Walker, president of the canal commission, discussed the canal situation from many interesting standpoints. The committee will hear other members of the commission Tuesday next.

Admiral Walker stated that he believed work on the canal could be commenced within two or three months.

DIED OF POISON.

NEW YORK, March 11.—According to the coroner's physician, who performed an autopsy, Abraham Newman, the oil and wealthy money lender and diamond dealer, who was found dead here yesterday in his office on the Bowery, died of poison. The police were unable to determine whether it was a case of murder and robbery or whether some visitor, finding Newman dead, had stolen all the valuables.

ARCHITECTS ARE "ARTISTS."

NEW YORK, March 11—The board of United States general appraisers ruled, in effect, today that architects are "artists" and that architectural drawings, for tariff purposes, are dutiable in the same class with "paintings in oil and water colors, pastels, pen and ink drawings and statuary, not specially provided for."

SUN WANTS ARE READ BY EVERYBODY

A CHILD WIFE

Sentenced to the Industrial School

SHE IS YET IN HER THIRTEENTH YEAR

Her Case a Very Unusual One

BOY GROWING UP IN NEGLECT

Placed in Hands of Poor Overseers

For the first time in the history of the local police court a married woman, today, was sentenced to the industrial school for girls at Lancaster.

Clara Richard was found guilty of larceny on four counts. She is the youngest wife in Lowell and her marriage about six months ago resulted in the imprisonment of her father and her husband. They gave false answers to the clerk who gave them a marriage license and also to the minister who performed the ceremony.

They said that the girl was in her seventeenth year and she is not yet fourteen. She does not look older than she really is, and could not have procured a marriage license but for the fact that her father and husband lied about her age.

The court remarked about the rather unusual occurrence of sentencing a married woman to the industrial school but her age admitted her and the fact that she was married did not interfere.

In company with another girl, Albertaine Heroux, 15, she was arrested a few days ago for pilfering from several of the big department stores and some of the stolen property was found in their possession. They did not deny that they had been engaged in the nefarious work of shoplifting. The Heroux girl was also sentenced to the industrial school for girls.

OVERSEERS OF POOR.

John J. McCarthy was in police court. He was not charged with any offence and the words written opposite his name on the police court blotter were, "growing up in neglect." His mother is dead and his father lives at 451 Broadway. Agent Richardson of the Humane society and the police officers who investigated the case, said that the house was in a filthy condition and that it would be doing the boy an injustice to allow him to remain there. Secretary Courtney of the overseers of the poor was in court and the boy was placed in his hands.

CASE CONTINUED.

The case of Castos Farfaras charged with illegally exposing and keeping for sale intoxicating liquors was continued for one week because his counsel was unable to appear in court this morning.

FOR DRUNKENNESS.

It was Henry Rixter's second offence within a year. Henry said that he had a good job to go to in Brockton. His family is in Lowell and he came here yesterday, he said, to pay them a visit. He cornered up in Boston and the fire water was getting in its work in good shape when he arrived in Lowell. Henry was ordered to pay a fine of $6.

KILLED HIS HENS.

A Mr. Fish, who lives at 21 Saratoga street, called at the police station this forenoon and complained that dogs had killed four of his hens last evening. He says there are two dogs in the neighborhood that are her crazy. Last evening they went to the hen coop, reached through the wire netting and fished out four plump pullets. The loss of the hens and the character of the dogs are being investigated by a squad of police.

WANTED TO SLEEP.

A woman who gave the name Hannah Gallagher walked into the police station about 11 o'clock this forenoon and said to Keeper Holman that she wanted a place to lay her head. She had been too intimate with the flowing bowl and was very much under the weather.

"I have the horrors," she said to the keeper, as she struck out at what she said looked like rats. She pounded the floor with the heel of her shoe for a few seconds and hobbed out at what had the car-marks of a trance when the keeper asked her if she wanted to be locked up. "All I want is a place to lay my head," she said, "but I suppose you'll lock me up and it is just as well. I suppose Judge Hadley will send me away for six months and that'll help some. You always was a pretty good fellow, Mr. Holman, and that lets you out." After the applause had died away Hannah was escorted to a cell in the rear of "sunny row."

OBNOXIOUS PERSON.

It was reported to the police that a man was making himself obnoxious to women in the vicinity of the Normal school during the morning and early afternoon and two officers were sent there to look after him.

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY.

House thieves entered the residence of Dr. D. D. Snyder, 20 Canton street, between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday and got away with diamonds, watches and other articles of jewelry, together with a small sum of money.

Dr. Snyder is the well known Merrimack street dentist and he said that the thieves must have gained entrance with a key. The matter has been reported to the police.

STORES CLOSED

Plumbers' Tribute to Late Henry Wilder

The remains of the late Henry H. Wilder, one of Lowell's most prominent business men, were consigned to their final resting place in the Lowell cemetery this afternoon. The funeral services were held at his late home, 196 Andover street, at 2 o'clock. Rev. C. W. Huntington, pastor of the High Street church, being the officiating clergyman. There was a large gathering of relatives and friends of the deceased, including a number of local business men.

During the service appropriate selections were rendered by the High Street church choir. There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by his many friends and acquaintances.

The active bearers were Messrs. John Fuzzard, Robert J. Howarth, Neil McLean and Edward Lavalle, all employes of the deceased, and the honorary bearers were Messrs. Charles B. Hutchinson, William E. Livingston, Charles L. Knapp, and Major Charles A. Stott.

The interment was in the Lowell cemetery, where the committal service was read by Rev. Mr. Huntington. Mr. Solon W. Stevens had charge of the funeral arrangements and the interment was under the direction of Funeral Director J. B. Currier & Co.

The different plumbing establishments throughout the city suspended business between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock this afternoon out of respect to the deceased.

LOSS IS $25,000

Big Fire in Richmond, Vermont

RICHMOND, Vermont, March 11—Fire broke out this afternoon in G. W. Greene's undertaking shop, destroying that building and communicating to an adjoining dwelling threatened to sweep through the entire business section of the town. There is lack of power to throw water on the flames and aid has been summoned from Burlington and Winooski.

The help from Burlington and Winooski arrived in time to be of material assistance and the flames were checked before the loss had reached serious proportions. Besides the Greene building and the dwelling, which was owned by Charles Berry, the Park hotel was considerably damaged. The total financial loss is estimated at $25,000.

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WAS PARTICULAR

Woman Wanted City Wood Cut to Order

A woman, who is receiving aid from the city, called at the office of the pauper department and asked to see Sec. Courtney. The latter was at the police court and hence could not be seen and the clerk asked her what her business might be in order that her wants might be attended to without waiting on the secretary.

"I want to see Mr. Courtney," said the woman, "about the wood he sent me. It was a stingy order and I want him to send me the wood cut longer the next time."

She was told that the wood is all cut one size, whereupon she demanded that it be sent to her without being cut at all. "I'll cut it myself," she said.

When asked why she wanted the wood in larger cuts, she replied: "Then I'll get more of it."

WOMEN PROTEST

Will Make Strong Fight Against Smoot

WASHINGTON, March 11—Many women representing organizations interested in the contest against Mr. Smoot, arrived in Washington today for the purpose of perfecting their plans and wage a more effective contest. They attended the sessions of the committee and before and after the hearings met in committee rooms and discussed the progress made.

The delegation included the following: Mrs. Frederic Schoff, Philadelphia, president National Congress of Mothers, chairman of executive committee of National Union of Women's Organizations; Mrs. Theodore W. Birney, Washington, D. C., honorary president National Congress of Mothers; Mrs. Robert R. Congress, Bruce, N. C., vice president National Congress of Mothers, member of executive committee, N. U. W. O.; Mrs. Charles A. Thorp, Philadelphia, president New Century club, Philadelphia, member executive committee, N. U. W. O.; Mrs. Boole, New York, representing Mrs. Darwin R. James, president Women's International council, member executive committee, N. U. W. O.; Mrs. Alfred D. Warner, Wilmington, Del., general secretary, N. U. W. O.; Mrs. Eunice Hamlin, general treasurer, N. U. W. O.; Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Washington, D. C., general superintendent, W. C. T. U., member executive committee, N. U. W. O.

LAWYER CRITCHLOW

LEADING WITNESS AT SMOOT HEARING.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—E. B. Critchlow of Salt Lake, formerly assistant U. S. attorney in Utah, was the first witness today in the Senator Smoot case. An open letter from Moses Thatcher to President Snow in regard to the platform on which he had waged his campaign for senator was introduced and Mr. Critchlow referred to threats which had been made against Thatcher in editorials in the Deseret News.

In the legislature of 1901 was introduced the Evans anti-polygamy bill, to limit prosecutions for certain classes of offenses. President Snow and Joseph F. Smith were in favor of the bill and said Mr. Critchlow and Mr. Smoot was quoted as recommending that the measure be left to the good sense of the people. The witness told of the passage of the bill by a vote of 25 to 17, in the house, the vote by the governor and the sustaining of the veto.

Mr. Critchlow said the governor was a Mormon but that the sentiment of the country demanded the veto on the grounds that it would defend the practice of polygamy and prevent prosecutions of violations of the law against polygamous cohabitation. The veto by the governor was put into the record. It shows that the governor feared the passage of the measure would be followed by a general demand for a constitutional amendment directed solely at conditions in Utah and that the demand could not be ignored. Gov. Wells said the result would be that the whole state would be put under a ban. The Evans bill prohibited prosecutions for polygamy except when the husband or wife filed complaint.

Following the history of the state down to Mr. Smoot's candidacy for the senate, Mr. Critchlow said Mr. Smoot announced his candidacy first in 1900 and that the announcement met with decided opposition from republicans and others.

WORK BEGUN

ON WIDENING AND STRAIGHTENING BALTIMORE STREETS.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 11.—Gov. Warfield today signed the burnt district commission bill. The commission will have charge of the widening of congested, business thoroughfares and of the general work of improving the streets as the rebuilding progresses.

The actual work of widening and straightening streets was inaugurated today.

SIX MEN INDICTED

They are Charged With Conspiracy

BOSTON, March 11.—James W. Trafton of Hamilton, and James A. Shedd of Somerville, examiners at the custom house at this port, William Munroe, president of the firm of Stone and Downer, custom house brokers, as well as three members of the Glasgow Manufacturing Co., were indicted today by the U. S. grand jury on the charge of wilfully conspiring to defraud the United States. The members of the Glasgow firm are Samuel Gunberg, Charles A. Butler and Simon Burman. The indictment of all these men is centered about a charge of wholesale smuggling of lace from Switzerland. This complaint originally was made only against the members of the Glasgow firm. The first knowledge that U. S. examiners and the president of one of the largest custom house broking concerns in New England, were being drawn into the case was shown this afternoon when the grand jury reported. All the defendants except Trafton, who did not appear, were held in $5000.

FIREMAN DEAD

Car Ferry Steamer Was Destroyed

CONNEAUT, Ohio, March 11.—The large car ferry steamer Shuango No. 1, owned by the Marquette and Bessemer Dock and Navigation company, was destroyed by fire off this port today, resulting in the death of the fireman and the probable fatal injury of the engineer. The boat was one of the largest of her kind on the Great Lakes, valued at $350,000, and had a carrying capacity of 26 cars. The fire is supposed to have resulted from an explosion of oil in the engine room. The fireman was caught in the hold of the vessel. His body was consumed by the flames.

BIG PICKEREL

Monster on Exhibition in Central Street

"What is it?"

"Search me."

"Looks like a pickerel but they don't grow that big, do they?"

"Has a nose like a pickerel, scales like a pickerel and looks like a pickerel but still I don't believe it's a pickerel."

"Whopper, isn't it?"

"Well, I should say so."

These are a few of the many "believes" and "guesses" that a Sun reporter heard expressed by a crowd that gathered in front of the Tarpon Fish company's place of business in Central street this forenoon.

Men, women and children were feasting their eyes on the largest pickerel that ever came to Lowell and they wondered if it really was a pickerel. The reporter dropped in and asked the clerks to tell him all about the wonderful fish. "That," said one of the clerks, "is a pickerel of the 'Great Northern' family and it is exceptionally large. It weighs 21½ lbs. and is more than 3 feet in length."

It was caught by William A. Hibbard in Lake Bomoseen, Vt. Mr. Hibbard sent it to his brother, "Joe" Hibbard, the well-known musician of this city, and he thought it was worth placing on exhibition. "That's all I know about the pickerel."

Pickerels weighing from four to seven pounds have been taken from lakes in this vicinity, but the pickerel captured by Mr. Hibbard puts them all in the shade, and if Joe can set the big fish to music his fortune will be made.

NO BALLOTING

IN THE CITY COUNCIL NEXT TUESDAY.

The common council at its meeting next week will have the unique experience of having absolutely nothing upon which to take a ballot and the members after the strenuous sessions that have been held will be at a loss for something to do unless some important business is filed between now and next Tuesday night and there is no indication that such will be the case.

All the elections yet incomplete are with the board of aldermen and that branch thus far has shown no disposition to bother their heads with them.

POLICE CAPTAIN REINSTATED.

NEW YORK, March 11—In the appellate division of the supreme court today the conviction of "Colonel" Robert Ammon in connection with 320 per cent. Miller syndicate was affirmed. Ammon was Miller's attorney.

The court also ordered the reinstatement of Police Capt. John Stephenson, who was dismissed from the police department by former Police Commissioner Greene.

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NO CITY STORE

Mayor Howe Will Not Sanction It

Will Probably Veto That Portion of Appropriations Order Which Refers to It—His Honor Demurred Over Idea of Six Ambulance Men

Mayor Howe is not going to sign the appropriation orders in their entirety.

He refused to allow the erection and maintenance of the city store as asked for by the overseers of the poor and subsequently recommended by the appropriations committee.

The city store matter it appears has been the cause of the mayor's delay in not returning the appropriations papers from his office. As yet he has not taken decisive action either way and still has the matter under consideration, but unless he changes his mind within a short time he will veto that portion of the order which provides $2500 for the erection of a city store for the distribution of out-door relief by the pauper department.

His honor also recently discovered that there were six men drawing pay as ambulance drivers, it being the intention of the overseers to have two of them act as storekeepers and emergency drivers. The two extra men have been working a couple of weeks and the mayor has signed their payroll each time. But it seems that he did not realize what their work was until his attention was called to the matter by some kind friend. He spoke yesterday as though he did not approve of the idea of extra drivers, but it is evident that his honor has changed mind in the matter, for he signed their payroll and they received their pay this morning.

BADLY INJURED

Otis Adams, Aged Man of Chelmsford

WAS STRUCK BY AN ELECTRIC CAR

His Condition is Very Serious

Otis Adams, an old and respected resident of the town of Chelmsford, was struck by an electric car in Chelmsford street at 6 o'clock last evening and it is feared that his injuries may prove fatal.

Mr. Adams is in his 78th year. He was walking along the road and got upon the track at the foot of Bartlett hill when the car was a short distance behind him. As he is stone deaf, he did not hear the clang of the bell and he was seen to be on the track too late to avoid the accident.

The motorman did all he could to stop the car when he found that the signals had no effect. The old man was caught on the fender and sustained wounds about the head that rendered him unconscious. He was taken to the Odd Fellows' building in Chelmsford, where Dr. Scoboria attended him. Later he was removed to his home and Dr. Scoboria called Dr. J. V. Meigs of this city in consultation.

The car was in charge of Motorman Stackpole and Conductor Fitzgerald, both of whom assisted in caring for the injured man.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon it was learned that Mr. Adams' condition is very critical.

SLICK STRANGER

Buncoed North Chelmsford Man

SAID HE WAS BOSS CONSTRUCTOR

For the Western Union Telegraph Company

If it is a fact that there's a fool born every minute it would seem that the fool's advent into this world must be closely followed by the birth of a trickster. This conclusion is drawn from the fact that every trickster seems to find an easy mark. The country today, especially Massachusetts, is flooded with men who belong to the class that have determined to live by their wits. They have determined that the world owes them a living and if the world doesn't hand it out they'll take it. Old schemes and new schemes are being worked right and left and still the foxy American continues to be humbugged.

The very latest dodge to come to the attention of the police was played on a North Chelmsford resident within a few days. He called at the police station this forenoon and told his troubles to the police. He considered it his duty, he said, to tell what happened to him in order that others might benefit by his experience.

Last Monday morning a slick looking man between 40 and 45 years old, weighing about 160 pounds, redish moustache, redish hair mixed with gray and wearing gold-rimmed eyeglasses and a gold chain, to which was attached a massive charm brilliant with 40-cent diamonds, called on the North Chelmsford man and gave him a game of talk that sounded as nice as you please.

He represented himself to be a superintendent of construction for the Western Union Telegraph company and that he wanted to engage board for himself and five of his men. The North Chelmsford man talked the matter over with his good wife and the stranger and an agreement was reached. It was early enough in the day to allow the good wife to get up a "few extras" for dinner and she had the "Tecterine" and a few more of the swell places we read about beaten to a standstill. The stranger declared that it was one of the very best dinners that he ever tackled in his whole life.

The stranger was ready for business when the North Chelmsford man told him supper was ready and he declared the supper was as good as the dinner. He fired so many bouquets at the North Chelmsford man's wife that she did a "shift seat" turn with the pot covers and stove covers.

The stranger said he had five men and a two-horse team in Lowell and that the men would arrive at North Chelmsford with the horses on Tuesday.

Tuesday came around all right, but the men and horses didn't. The stranger asked if there was a telephone in the town and he was directed to the Adams house. Tuesday was not a very pleasant day and when he returned to his boarding house he told the good Mr. Z that he had telephoned his men not to come until Wednesday. "That'll be all right," said Mr. Z, and the stranger went back to his cigars and papers. He had a wallet that looked as if it was fairly groaning with the weight of bills and Mr. Z allowed that his boarder was just about the proper caper.

Wednesday morning came and so did Wednesday noon, but the men and horses didn't come from Lowell. The stranger pretended to be in a fearful rage. He lighted out for the telephone and when he returned to the house he said he had read the riot act to his men in Lowell.

"They will be here tomorrow at noon," he said, "and he took a shy glance at Mr. Z. The latter looked a bit suspicious but a thought of the swelled pocketbook in his boarder's inside pocket came to him, and he said, "All right."

The stranger was getting along first rate but to be sure that he would make real good he asked Mr. Z if he knew where he could hire five able-bodied men.

It happened that a few strong-armed quarrymen were lying around loose and the stranger hired five of them. He hired them to do ground work and assured them there would be no pole climbing in theirs. He promised to pay them $2 a day.

"Come around tomorrow morning," he said, "and wait for the men and horses that are coming from Lowell. The quarrymen were on hand bright and early and they waited.

The stranger left the house stating that he wanted to make a purchase at the store. A little later he returned and said to Mr. Z:

"What kind of a town is this, anyhow. I went down there to the store to make some purchases, presented a $100 bill in payment and they couldn't change it. I want to go to Boston and there are a few things I want to get that my men will need when they come. Could you loan me $5?"

"Sure I can," said Mr. Z, and he touched the family stocking for the last five it contained.

The stranger went away and he didn't come back. At noon time the quarrymen went to dinner, one by one, so that if the Lowell men arrived they would find four men on deck. They held the waiting place down till supper time and went home. They talked the matter over and decided that the man who hired them was a bunco steerer and they told Mr. Z so. The latter was loathe to believe, but was finally convinced that they were right and decided that he would tell the story to the police.

HEADLESS BODY

Was Found in Delaware Bay

BRIDGETON, N. J., March 11.—The police authorities here are endeavoring to unravel the mystery surrounding the finding of the bodies of a man and woman yesterday in Delaware bay opposite Bayside. The woman's body is headless. It was at first thought to be that of Anna Newkirk, who disappeared in January from her home at Hancock Bridge, Salem county.

The man's body was found shortly after the corpse of the woman had been recovered. There is nothing on either body by which they can be identified.

Coroner Hall, of Cumberland county, said today that the dead woman was not Miss Newkirk.

The authorities here think it probable that the bodies floated down the Delaware river from Philadelphia or from some point above that city.

TRADE CONDITIONS

SPRING BUSINESS HAS FALLEN OFF.

NEW YORK, March 11—Special telegrams from correspondents of the international mercantile agency throughout the United States show that spring trade, now about completed, has fallen ten or fifteen per cent, behind the total volume distributed in the first two months of 1903.

The difference is not so great at New York, but business in New England is relatively quiet. At Chicago merchants find the movement of dry goods, clothing, shoes and groceries about equal to that of a year ago, but at St. Louis and Louisville there are gains this year over last. Minneapolis and St. Paul explain that the northwest is very conservative and that business is about 10 per cent, less than in March, 1903, while at Philadelphia the falling off in metals and some other lines is as much as twenty per cent. Pittsburg has felt a like decline but says recent large purchases point to the long waited turn in the tide.

Special inquiry as to winter wheat shows that east of the Mississippi except in Ohio, recent weather conditions have been favorable.

Recent weather conditions have favored retail trade and a revival of the building industry, which, as shown by the international mercantile agency's canvass of the situation at ten of the larger cities of the country, points to a decreased volume this year as to value, owing largely to the higher cost of labor and raw materials.

New York contractors expect the total will about equal that of last year. At Philadelphia an increase is expected of from 15 to 20 per cent., and judging from the character of new projects at Chicago the year will rival 1903.

TEXTILE WORKERS

REFUSE TO SUPPORT STRIKING WEAVERS.

NEW BEDFROD, Mass., March 11—The striking weavers in the Dartmouth mill, those who are members of the local union, learned today that the United Textile Workers of America, the national organization, would not give them the support which they were led to believe they would have, and the feeling is quite bitter among the weavers in this city, who have claimed all along that the strike had the sanction of the emergency committee of the national body.

The claim of the emergency committee is that the strikers went out before the executive council had had an opportunity to act on the matter.

The conditions remain about the same, so far as the attitude of the mill management and strikers is concerned. The weavers today sent out much larger committees in making collections and are determined to carry on the fight alone.

BOSTON BROKER

THREW HIMSELF IN FRONT OF TRAIN.

BRAINTREE, Mass., March 11.—Before the eyes of many people gathered on the station platform, James J. Mahoney, a Boston broker, today threw himself in front of a passenger train and was crushed to death. Mahoney, whose home was in East Weymouth and who had an office at 131 State street, Boston, was 55 years old. Mental derangement as the result of business troubles is believed to have caused him to commit suicide. He was prominent in the G. A. R. post in East Weymouth and in local republican politics. For several years he was a messenger at the state house. He is survived by a widow and three children.

TO CLOSE POOL ROOMS.

NEW YORK, March 11.—As an outcome of the fight between one of the telegraph companies and pool room keepers who refused to permit inspectors in their places of business so that the rooms could not send out racing news without paying the company extra therefor, has resulted in the drawing up of a bill which will be sent to Albany today for introduction before the legislature.

By the terms of the proposed law, those who furnish racing news and information to the keepers of pool rooms will be placed in the same class as their patrons and may be prosecuted for felony.

PROMINENT MILL MAN DEAD.

BRUNSWICK, Me., March 11.—Benjamin Greene, a prominent cotton manufacturer and financier, died today, aged 86 years. He was agent of the Cabot Cotton mills 35 years, resigning in 1890, and for 35 years has been a director of the First National bank. Mr. Greene was born in Eastfort, Conn., where he entered the cotton mills. He was employed at Southbridge, Mass., and Richmond, Va., and in 1850 became agent of one of the largest cotton mills at Webster, Mass. He is survived by Benjamin Dwight Greene, of Quebec, formerly of Savannah, Ga., Dr. Robert H. Greene of New York and Emily S., wife of Chief Justice Andrew P. Wiswell of Ellsworth, Me.

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SERIOUSLY HURT

WORKMEN WERE BURNED BY ELECTRICITY.

BOSTON, March 11.—Two workmen were badly burned by electricity and several others made unconscious today as a result of a wire derrick cable coming in contact with a trolley feed wire of the Boston Elevated Railway company. The seriously injured were Michael Kine, 35 years of age, and Edward Hanson, 52 years of age. The accident happened in the Back Bay. The workmen who were employed by a firm of contractors were raising a derrick when the wire connection occurred. A loud explosion followed and all the men received a strong charge of electricity.

No Appetite

Means loss of vitality, vigor or tone, and is often a precursor of prostrating sickness. This is why it is serious. The best thing you can do is to take the great alterative and tonic Hood's Sarsaparilla Which has cured thousands.

MAYOR COLLINS

ASKED TRUSTEES OF PAUPER INSTITUTIONS TO RESIGN.

BOSTON, March 11—The seven members of the board of trustees of pauper institutions of this city were requested to resign today by Mayor Collins because of the lack of harmony in the board and also of the alleged absence of thorough discipline in the institutions which the board directs.

All the members except Dr. William H. Grainger resigned at once. Dr. Grainger was then immediately removed by the mayor.

Mayor Collins issued a statement later in which he said that a reorganization of the department seemed to be the wisest step under the conditions.

ROOSEVELT ENDORSED.

OKMULGEE, I. T., March 11—The Creek Nation republican convention has selected Judge C. W. Raymond as delegate to the national convention at Chicago. The convention represents 1500 republican voters. Judge Raymond was instructed to work for statehood in some form for the territory.

President Roosevelt was endorsed and his policy in the Panama canal matter approved.

GREAT STORM RAGING.

ASTORIA, Ore., March 11—A great storm is raging along the north Pacific coast, the wind blowing at the rate of 72 miles an hour. The storm has paralyzed shipping, the steamer Oregon being the only vessel to reach port in the past 24 hours.

LIST OF PEOPLE

WHO SAILED ON THE ILL-FATED STEAMSHIP.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 11—The names of the 28 passengers who embarked from Nome on the ill-fated steamship Discovery Oct. 16, which has not since been heard of, have been learned from a Nome paper. The list is as follows: Carl W. Larsen, D. A. Seaberg, E. C. Weaver, H. Logan, Gene Glum, N. B. Jones, Annie L. Jones, August Foster, Otto Maple, N. M. McLaughlin, H. Verner, O. B. Vaughn, J. Stewart, Miss Caton, Miss Christemon, B. M. Christemon, F. Anderson, J. North, George A. Schrack, L. M. Davis, Oscar Graff, D. Journoy, H. Stelder, C. Langton, H. J. Hicks, H. Roerboy, H. Herman, A. E. Joansen.

Some of these may not have been lost, as it was their intention on leaving Nome to disembark at way ports.

TO DRAFT LAW

TO EXTRADITE PERSONS WHO ARE CHARGED WITH MURDER.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 11—Gov. Cummins has sent to the legislature a message in which he calls attention to the fact that under the present laws of Iowa, it is impossible to extradite from this state into another a person charged with murder by sending poisoned candy through the mails, as in the case of Mrs. Sherman Dye, of Boone, who has been released.

He urged the legislature to remedy the omission and to make it possible for the governor to honor a requisition from another state for a person who is not a fugitive from justice. Attorney General Mullen is engaged at the judiciary committee of the assembly in trying to draft such a law.

BRICKLAYERS' STRIKE

HAS BEEN CALLED OFF FOR TIME BEING.

NEW YORK, March 11.—A temporary agreement by which the striking bricklayer laborers here will return to work pending arbitration has been reached at a conference of the joint arbitration board of the mason builders' association and the Bricklayers' unions. Conditions prevailing before the strike will be restored meantime. The men quit because their overtime pay from 7 to 8 a.m., and 5 to 6 p.m., was cut off. About 3,000 men are affected by the temporary settlement of the strike.

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Boys' $1.50 School Shoes	$1.23
Men's $2.50 Box Calf Shoes	$1.98
Child's 35c Shoes	25c
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The stock was put in new last year and consists of Gorham Sterling Silver, Reed & Barton Silverware, Watches, Diamonds, Umbrellas, Clocks, Bric-a-Brac, Cut Glass, etc.

The prices will be about one-half what you are usually asked to pay for these goods.

Come now - today - as the early caller gets the pick of the presents.

If you don't intend to buy, come and look at the presents and let us explain.

Value of presents depends upon what you buy.

It is not necessary to purchase. You are welcome anyway.

SHOW CASES FOR SALE.

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SAFE BLOWN OPEN

ROBBERS RIFLED STATION AND POSTOFFICE.

PHILADELPHIA, March 11.—While Station Master J. H. Nixon, his wife and three children slept in the upper part of the Pennsylvania railroad station at Haverford, a suburb, early today, burglars entered the lower floor which is used as the postoffice. They blew open the safe and made off with $500 in cash, stamps to the amount of $20 and a number of letters containing money.

The room was wrecked by the explosion and the floor was strewn with letters that had been rifled.

JAPANESE OFFICERS ARRIVE.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Among the passengers who arrived today on the steamer Celtic from Liverpool and Queenstown were 28 Japanese army and navy officers, returning home from European countries and Right Rev. Joseph C. Hartzell, missionary bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church to Africa.

BLOWN TO PIECES

TWO ITALIAN WORKMEN WERE KILLED.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Two Italian workmen were blown to pieces and a third severely injured while blasting in the Bronx today for a sewer. A blast that had been prepared failed to explode until the workmen had returned to the trench.

THEATRE REOPENED.

CHICAGO, March 11—The Auditorium theatre has been allowed to reopen, using the whole stage. Building inspectors and an aldermanic committee, after a thorough examination, pronounced the theatre safe, according to law.

CABLE SHIP ASHORE.

ISLAND OF GUAM, March 11.—The cable ship Scotia is ashore on Spanish rocks. The water is nearly up to her decks and she will probably prove a wreck.

The Scotia is a vessel of 2776 tons register, 379 feet long, 48 feet beam and 30 feet depth of hold. She was built at Glasgow, in 1862 and is owned by the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance company, limited, of London. She was last reported as having sailed from Singapore, Jan. 29, for Honolulu.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases at Goodale's drug store, 217 Central street, Lowell. Price 50c and $1. Trial bottles free.

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DIETRICH CASE

Complaint Against the Senator Heard

SAYS MONEY WAS ASKED FOR JOBS

He Cited Two Alleged Cases

WASHINGTON, March 11—The senatorial inquiry into the charges against Senator Dietrich of Nebraska, began today before the special committee in Senator Hoar's committee room.

The inquiry which was instituted upon the demand of Senator Dietrich, is for the purpose of probing the charges on which the senator was indicted last fall in Nebraska and which were dismissed on demurrer.

The committee consists of Senators Hoar, Platt of Connecticut, Spooner, Cockrell and Pettus.

All of the members of the committee, except Mr. Spooner, were present when the inquiry began. Senator Dietrich was in attendance with his attorney, R. A. Batley of Hastings. A number of witnesses also were present. Mr. Dietrich repeated his wish that the investigation should be the fullest possible.

Leopold Hahn, postmaster at Hastings from 1897 to 1901, was the first witness. He was succeeded in that office by Mr. Fisher. In reply to questions by Senator Hoar, Mr. Hahn related a conversation with Fisher on April 23, 1901, relative to his (Fisher's) appointment as postmaster.

"He asked me," said the witness, "what the office paid. I told him $2,500. He said that was what Dietrich wanted him to pay for the office. He also told me that Adam Breed had said that Dietrich had asked him $2,800 or $700 a year for the four years. He asked me," the witness continued, "what I had paid Senator Thurston for my appointment and I said not one cent."

The witness also said that Fisher had questioned him as to whether he (Fisher) would have to pay a note for $2,500 if he should give one and the witness said that he had volunteered to investigate that point for him and had done so, getting legal advice that such a note would not be negotiable. At a later date Fisher had come to his store with a William Dutton and they had announced that they were there for the purpose of fixing up the post office business. He was told afterward that the matter had been arranged. He then produced a memorandum which he said he had made on the day of the conversation, thirty minutes after it occurred.

Replying to a question from Mr. Hoar, Mr. Hahn said that when Mr. Dietrich was elected he had given up all idea of being continued as postmaster because he had understood from various sources that Dietrich "was after his scalp." Asked if his feeling towards Dietrich was very friendly he admitted that it was not.

Mr. Hahn also testified to Fisher's good character and said that Fisher had supported Dietrich loyally. Fisher had told him that he (Fisher) was friendly to him (Hahn) for reappointment, but had told him he was satisfied that he (Hahn) could not get it.

Mr. Battey cross-examined Hahn and the witness said that he had known Fisher for 25 years. He said that Fisher had told him that Dietrich had said to him that Breed was to give $2800. The witness added that he had talked with Breed more than once and that Breed had told him the story of his offer was true. "I was a candidate for the position of postmaster before the senatorial fight began," said the witness, "but Mr. Dietrich said to everybody that I could not have the place. He had always fought me before when I ran for office, while I had loyally supported him."

He admitted that he had frequently said that "it was a long road that had no turn and that he would see that when Dietrich's term was out he did not get another election." He would not admit, however, that he had said that he would spend $10,000 to beat Dietrich.

John D. Pope was the next witness. He is a former Nebraska state senator, an attorney who Mr. Hahn testified had advised as to the course Fisher would have to pursue with the note for $2500 which Fisher had told Hahn he wanted to give to Dietrich for the postmastership.

HEAVY LOSS

PLANT OF MARITIME NAIL WORKS DESTROYED.

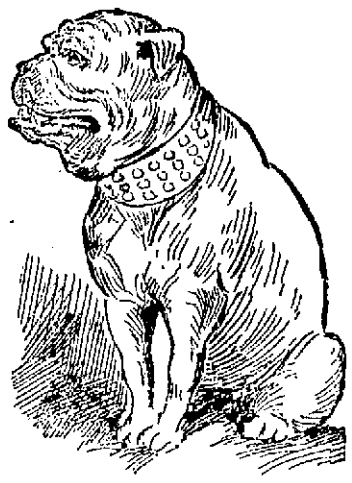
ST. JOHN, N. B., March 11.—Three large wooden buildings composing the plant of the Maritime Nail works, at the head of St. John harbor, were burned today. The property had been improved recently to permit an extension of the business. Two of the buildings were old and one was of recent construction. The cause of the fire has not been ascertained. About eighty-three men are thrown out of employment and the total financial loss is estimated at $50,000, with an insurance of about $30,000.

SOLD FOR $35,000.

NEW YORK, March 11—A full length portrait of Baron Arnold Leroy of Holland, painted by Van Dyck, the Dutch master, probably about 1601, has just been sold here to a collector for about $35,000. The canvas which was imported recently is in excellent condition.

SEAMAN DROWNED.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 11—The Victorian Sealing company's schooner Penelope, bound outward on her sealing cruise to Behring Sea, has gone ashore in Gallon bay and probably will be a total loss. One seaman was drowned.



"CHESHIRE CHEESE."

OWNED SQUARE

All Backed Up for "Cheshire Cheese"

"TED" LITTLE'S ENGLISH BULL DOG

Was Given a Wide Berth

"Teddy" Little, the stock broker, is a little fellow of modest appearance, who, under ordinary circumstances could get by in a crowd without attracting undue attention, but this morning when he dropped off the Billerica car in Merrimack square he soon was the central figure of attraction and in a moment had the square to himself. All the women in sight took to the doorways while the men hiked out to the curbing as he went by and gave him a most respectful amount of sidewalk space in which to pass.

"Teddy" was not alone and that accounts for the attention he attracted. He was accompanied, or more properly he was accompanying his celebrated English bull dog "Cheshire Cheese," which he had brought to town to show to some friends who had heard of the wonderful beast which observed the new year by running in front of a Montreal express and lived through the experience.

"Cheshire" is a thoroughbred English bull dog, horrible to behold but as gentle as a kitten. He has a pedigree as long as the clerk of the republican city committee and that's stretching some, and what nature left undone in the line of rendering him the homeliest dog unhung, the Boston & Maine supplied by knocking out his right eye. He is a brindle, undershot to the extent of a couple of inches, bow-legged, and with a spread that takes up half the sidewalk and when he breathes "aloud" one would think that a steam roller had broken loose. When not on a chain or leader "Cheshire" is the best behaved fellow in dogdom, but once tied, it takes a full grown man to keep the pace with him while going along the public street. Thus when "Ted" started from Merrimack square to the Hildreth building this morning there was something doing and everybody who got one good look at the dog made tracks for a place of safety, though the poor pup wouldn't harm anything bigger than a piece of meat. When "Ted" got up to his office he wiped away the perspiration and vowed that when the dog is to be taken home it will be after dark or with somebody beside the owner on the other end of the chain.

On New Year's day while Mr. Little was walking in Billerica with "Cheshire" near the tracks of the Boston & Maine, the Montreal northern bound train came whizzing along at a 60 second clip. There were no ropes on poor Cheshire that day and as he saw the big monster coming along he made a valiant attempt to fasten his teeth into the cowcatcher. The cowcatcher hit him plumb in the right eye and he was lifted into the air and hurled a distance of over 20 feet. Mr. Little ran to the place where poor "Cheshire" landed, expecting to find a mangled corpse, but instead, found "Cheshire" with one eye gone and a bad cut in his head lying on the ground making a desperate effort to wag his little runt of a tail. Mr. Little picked him up and carried him home and a veterinary removed the eye and put several stitches in the wound and after weeks of careful treatment "Cheshire" came back, minus an eye, it is true, but as frisky and homelier than ever. He spends most of his time at Mr. Little's home in Billerica as his visits to Lowell always temporarily destroy his owner's peace of mind, and today was his first appearance in town since he lost his eye.

BURGLAR CAUGHT

He Tried to Hold Up Saloon

CLEVELAND, O., March 11—Two burglars entered the saloon of Philip Oppenheimer last night and ordered the proprietor to throw up his hands. Oppenheimer dodged behind a counter, grabbed his revolver and began shooting. The burglars returned the fire. Shots smashed mirrors, windows and bar fixtures. Finally the intruders started to retreat, firing as they backed out to a waiting buggy in the street, closely pursued by Oppenheimer. One of the intruders ran. The other attempted to jump into the buggy, but Oppenheimer shot the horse and it dropped to the pavement. At this point the police captured the burglar who had attempted to get away in the buggy. He gave his name as Andrew Williams of Chicago.

PROBABLY LOST

Vessel and Entire Crew Given Up

PORTLAND, Me., March 11—The 60-ton fishing schooner Sylph of Boston, which sailed from this port four weeks ago for two days' fishing off the cape, has been given up as lost with her entire crew, which usually consists of 14 men. William W. Burgess, Jr., of Boston, owner of the Sylph, surposed she was fishing off Portland, while Portland dealers believed she had returned to Boston. It was for this reason the loss was not reported until today. Searching inquiries at every port between Boston and Rockland failed to reveal any information of her. It is feared the schooner either sank in a gale or went down with a hole in her side made by ice cakes.

The Sylph was built at North Weymouth, Mass., in 1878, was 72 feet in length, 21 feet beam and eight feet draught. It is thought the crew were mostly Boston fishermen, with possibly some Maine men.

BLAST FURNACE BLOWN IN.

PUEBLO, Colo., March 11—Blast furnace "C" at the Minnequa Steel works has been blown in. This is the first blast furnace to be put into operation since the shutting down of the works last November, although the auxiliary plants have been gradually put into commission for the past two months.

STORM BROKE OUT

Some Lively Talk in Congress

WASHINGTON, March 11.—The storm of indignation which swept over the house of representatives Wednesday, as the result of the report of the postoffice department and which yesterday was temporarily stemmed by adjournment on account of the death of Rep. Croft, broke out afresh today. Mr. Gillett (Mass.) presented a privileged report, when Mr. Hay (Va.) promptly objected to its consideration.

The speaker, in ruling on the point, said the Hay resolution was a matter of the highest privilege and he recognized Mr. Overstreet (Ind.), who desired unanimous consent for an order giving members ten days' leave to extend their remarks.

Mr. Cooper (Wis.) entered an emphatic "I object."

Mr. Tawney (Minn.) entertained the view that every member named in the report had the right to speak indefinitely as a matter of privilege.

Mr. Overstreet then submitted two propositions, first that the discussion be extended until Monday at 4 o'clock and second, until 4 o'clock tomorrow, to both of which Mr. Hay objected. He then renewed his motion for leave to print, which brought Mr. Williams (Miss.) quickly to his feet with the declaration that whatever is said on this subject should be said in the open house and he therefore objected. He was greeted with applause.

Mr. Cowherd (Missouri) defended the action of the committee presenting the report. There was no occasion, he said, to refer the matter to the committee, to see whether the charges against members had been made. The report of General Bristow had gone out with the approval of the president.

"I say now," he vigorously declared, "that if we must answer whether the charge is true that Beavers usually complied with the requests of members of congress regardless of the merits of the case, the answer is that the charge is true."

Continuing, he said: "Is Beavers to blame? Yes sir. Are the members of the house to blame for it? No."

If members had made unusual requests upon the department, he said, the propriety of their conduct was a question between themselves and their constituents. "It is not a violation of law," he insisted with emphasis. "The committee, he said, could not undertake to edit the department's report nor could they discriminate between the cases cited. If they had done so, the committee, he said, would have been lashed from the floor of the house.

FAVOR ROOSEVELT.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., March 11.—The first congressional district republican convention was held yesterday at Greenville. Congressman Walter P. Brownlow and Hon. P. Clay Evans were endorsed for delegates from the state at large to the national convention. President Roosevelt's administration was endorsed. Congressman Brownlow was declared the nominee for congress several weeks ago.

THE "PALMA" TROPHY.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Invitations have been sent to the riflemen in the United States and in various foreign countries requesting the appointment of teams to participate in the match for the "Palma" trophy, which represents the military team championship of the world. The trophy was won by the American team at Bisley, England, July 11, 1903, in competition with teams from Great Britain, France, Norway, Canada, Australia and Natal. This year the trophy is to be contested for at Sea Girt, N. J., on or about Sept. 1.

NO TITLE CLOUDED.

CARROLLTON, Mo., March 11.—The old deed under which Mrs. Sophie Mattern of Brooklyn, N. Y., believes she is entitled to land on which the city of Carrollton is built, does not cloud any title. James Darden owned a farm of 168 acres in Carroll county in 1812, but it was not located where Carrollton now stands, but 16 miles northeast of the present site of the town.

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10 on 1 package 11c. Cero Fruto.
5 on 1 package 10c. Presto.
10 on 1 lb. 15c. Butterine.
10 on 1 Bottle of Blue at 10c.
10 on 1 can 12c. Tomatoes.
One-half of the above on all other stamps.

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Challenge Milk.....3 cans for 25c
Peas.....3 cans for 25c
Tomatoes.....2c. 3 cans for 25c
Strawberries.....12c a can
Pears.....10c a can
Mince Meat.....8c a package
Best Round Steak.....2 lbs. for 25c
Best Sirloin and Rump Steak.....18c lb
10 stamps on 1 pkg. 10c. Mince Meat.

Legs of Lamb Short Cut 10c
Loin of Lamb - - 7c
Legs of Veal - - 8c
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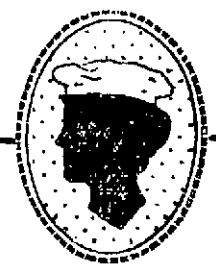

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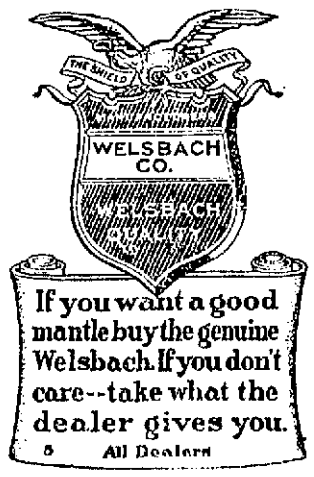

If you want a good mantle buy the genuine Welsbach. If you don't care--take what the dealer gives you.

5 All Dealers

Best Coal in Lowell
SOLD BY THE
WHOLEY COAL CO.
Office, 1075 Gorham Street.
Telephone 1028-2.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable, the Justices of the Superior Court, within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents William L. Sheridan of South Framingham in said county, that he was lawfully married to Ellen M. Sheridan, now of parts unknown, at Southboro, said commonwealth, on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1897, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Ellen M. lived together as husband and wife in this commonwealth, to wit, at South Framingham, said commonwealth that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Ellen M. being wholly regardless of the same, at South Framingham on or about the 2nd day of June, A. D., 1900, utterly deserted your libellant and that said utter desertion has continued for more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Ellen M. also there was born to your libellant of this marriage, Evelyn M. Sheridan, September 19th A. D., 1898, and your libellant prays that said minor child may be committed to his care and custody.

Dated this 15th, day of February, A. D., 1904.

WILLIAM L. SHERIDAN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, ss.

Superior Court, Feb. 24, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said county, on the first Monday of April next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the county of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that she may then and there show cause, if she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.
Attest.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of John L. Currier, late of Lowell, in said county, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented in said court for probate by Catherine Currier, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate court to be held at Cambridge, in said county of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of March, A. D. 1904, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first judge of said court, this seventh day of March, in the year one thousand nine hundred and four.

W. E. ROGERS, Asst. Register.

Office of the Board of Police,
Lowell, Mass., March 9, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that all persons desiring to apply for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors under the provisions of Chapter 100 of the Revised Laws, can obtain blank forms at this office, which should be filled out in accordance with the requirements therein specified, and be returned to this office not later than 12 o'clock m., March 19, 1904. Each license application must be accompanied by an advertising fee of $4.00 for each license.

The following tariff of fees for licenses will be charged for the license year of 1904-5:

1st Class license as Innholder....$1500
1st Class license as Common Victualler $1300
4th Class license as Retail Dealer, $500
4th Class license as Wholesale Dealer $1500
5th Class license as Brewer.....$1500
6th Class license as Druggist..... $1
7th Class license as Dealer in Paints and Chemicals..... $1

Applications for licenses as Innholders must be accompanied by certificates from the state inspector showing that the building to be licensed complies with the requirements of the state law. Applications for licenses of the Sixth Class—druggist—must be accompanied by a certificate from the State Board of Registration in Pharmacy issued in the name of the applicant.

Applications for licenses of the Sixth and Seventh Classes must be filed at this office not later than March 26, 1904.

All communications, protests, remonstrances and objections relative to applicants for licenses, or premises to be licensed, must be filed in writing at this office to the board of police, or their clerk, for them.

The Board of Police declines to grant licenses of the Second and Third Classes. The locations asked for, as well as the applicant, will enter into the consideration of the Board in granting licenses. Applicants are advised to select the premises they desire to occupy throughout the year, and should incur no expense in fitting them up, until they have been inspected by the board.

The office of the Board of Police is open daily from 9 to 12 m., and from 2 to 5 p. m., and on Saturdays from 9 to 12 m., and all inquiries for information should be made there.

The regular meetings of the Board of Police are held every Tuesday evening in its office at 8 o'clock p. m., when and where all business pertaining to the licensing of the sale of intoxicating liquors will receive due attention; and at no other time and place will said business be given any consideration.

Applicants are notified that all offices, screens, pictures, boxes and exhibits of goods, and obstruction of all and every character must be removed and kept removed, so that a clear and uninterrupted view of the bar and the interior of the premises can be obtained from the street. Officers will inspect and report upon the condition of the premises before licenses are granted and the existence of such obstructions will be an absolute bar to receiving a license. No license will be granted on premises where an office is built between the window and the bar.

FRANK B. DOW,
HARRY R. RICE,
FISHER H. PEARSON,
Board of Police.

SPECIAL NOTICES

MISS M. COGNAC, 23 Aiken street, room 23—Cloak and dress maker; perfect work and fitting guaranteed and at moderately low price.

DOUBLE STAMPS, Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 20 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union Station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 9, 1904. The Committee on Towns will give a hearing to parties interested in House bill No. 483 to authorize the town of Belmont to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law for school purposes, at room No. 426, State House, on Tuesday, March 15, at 11 o'clock a. m. Geo. N. Goff, Chairman. A. M. Chaffee, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Experienced housegirl. 8 Washington street.

WANTED—Millinery makers at Hard & Garland's, 145 Merrimack street, over Gaiter's grocery store. Apply at once.

WANTED—Boy at the Reliable Jooper's Cloak and Suit store, 320 Merrimack St.

WANTED—Men used to farm work at Shedd's gardens, So. Lowell, Mass.

LADIES—That embroidery, crochet or knit can earn $12 weekly working for us at home; addressed envelope for free sample of work and designs. Mexican Co., 132 Nassau street, N. Y.

WANTED—A middle aged woman to keep house for small family. Call after 6 o'clock, 158 Fayette street.

WANTED—A woman cook for boarding house. Call at 78 Appleton street.

$12 WEEKLY; home work two hours daily; no outfit to buy; send addressed envelope for instructions. Nassau Supply Co., 150 Nassau St., New York.

HOME WORK—$9 weekly during spare time; no canvassing, experience or money needed; enclose stamp for outfit, instructions, etc. Address Universal Co., 325 W. 23d street, New York.

WANTED—Young man 16 to 18 years to learn light manufacturing business. Box 267.

WANTED

WANTED—Board and room in private family, near center of the city by a young lady. Address "Home," Sun office.

WANTED—Everybody in Billerica to buy Zemo Washing Fluid of J. S. Walsh. Makes washing easy.

WANTED—Carpentering, paperhanging, whitewashing, all kinds of repairs. Address All-Round Mechanic, 1 Charles street court.

MRS. A. BLANCHARD'S new lying-in hospital at 688 Pleasant street, Drucut Centre, is now all equipped for patients. Telephone 731-4.

WANTED—For cash, a place 5 to 30 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell. Mr. Dalton. Call 5 to 9 p. m.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses; retail merchants and salaried people, easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Lenhas, room 9, Barristers hall.

TO LET

FOR RENT—Six room house in good condition, 574 Lakeview avenue; also land for sale by Capt. H. Reade, 571 Lakeview avenue.

IF YOU are thinking of moving this spring come and see what we can offer you in a tidy, comfortable tenement for small money; if you want an extra healthful home of from three to five rooms where you will have quiet, self-respecting neighbors, call and see us. T. H. Elliott, 61 Central street.

TO LET—Pleasant furnished room, gas and bath, private family. 522 Central street.

TO LET—A restaurant; also an apartment of five rooms with bath. Branch street, cor. Nichols.

TO LET—Flat of six rooms, bath and pantry, hot water. Inquire in the afternoon between 2 and 4 at 470 Rogers street.

TO LET—Tenement of four or five rooms, 130 South street. Apply 31 Gorham street.

TO LET—Two two-room tenements. Inquire 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Best located room in city for one or two; modern conveniences. Also smaller room, reasonable. No. 271 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8. G. P. Walker, 964 Middlesex street.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex street, room 18, Lowell.

POULTRY—Homing pigeons wanted; send lowest cash price and number of birds. Address F., Sun office.

POULTRY—Fancy pigeons to exchange for homers. Call evenings or Sundays, A. Hamilton, 403 Mammoth road.

THE SUN
Is on Sale
At both Newstands
in the Union Station
BOSTON

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Cheap, cobbler's repairing machine, finger. Apply 51 Sydney street.

376 BRIDGE STREET, White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies, before buying try our Automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; good second hand machines on hand; give us a call.

FOR SALE—Hard, soft, and kindling wood at Eugene Paquin's, 157 Chelmsford street.

FOR SALE—Almost new runabout buggy, pneumatic tires, used very little last summer; also a Whitman riding saddle. Apply at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, cost $250 last fall; will sell for about one-half that price, as I have no use for it now. Inquire G. M., Sun office.

FOR SALE—New milch Jersey cows. Apply A. Felix, 989 Lakeview avenue.

FOR SALE—A boarding house, rooms all occupied at present, at 238 Appleton street; if sold at once will let it go at $150; there are 12 rooms in the house and all furnished; sickness the only cause for wanting to sell. Inquire at 238 Appleton street.

FOR SALE—Very large boarding and lodging house, centrally located, very near P. O., all modern conveniences, hot and cold water, steam heat, gas; best location in city; doing big business at present. Further particulars at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1¼ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 60c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 158 Merrimack St.

CASH REGISTERS

The best is none too good. The Hallwood is the best. Not made by a trust. Easy payments. Room 45 Donovan bldg.

MISCELLANEOUS

STORAGE—First class storage room for furniture; private rooms from $2 to $1 a month, according to size, at 255 Hildreth street. Call there or at 197 Merrimack street.

LAWN MOWERS sharpened and repaired. 75c and $1. James Moulton, 24 Davis street.

MRS. UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 91 Merrimack St., corner John.

MRS. CLARA ADAMS, clairvoyant card reader and ladies' employment office. 335 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MOTHERS—Rent's Destroyer kills lice on children and all insects; cures dandruff and itching scalp; prevents falling hair; harmless, 25c. Only at Falls & Burkinshaw's, 416 Middlesex street.

MADAME LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weekly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 471 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2¼ miles out. Apply to deputy master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner Store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN, ATTENTION!—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padien, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1081 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 165 Middlesex street.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year; Repairing a specialty. 251 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co's, 160 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Housework by a woman; is a good cook and laundress. Address M. C., 25 Rogers street.

REGISTERED DRUG CLERK, willing and reliable, wants situation. Address "Drugs," Sun office.

WANTED—Situation as table girl in restaurant or at kitchen work. Would work in bakery. Inquire at 25 Lawrence street.

WANTED—A situation as coachman. Inquire at this office.

WANTED—A situation at housework in city or country, with boy old enough to do light chores. Address M. M. S., general delivery, Lowell post office.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 89 Crosby street.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—St. Bernard dog. Return 112 Jefferson street.

LOST—A pair of glasses between Bridge, Gorham and corner of Winter street. Return to 48 Floyd street.

FOUND—A female fox terrier. Owner can have by proving property and paying for this adv. at 90 Bartlett street.

LOST—A traveling bag containing silverware. Finder return to room 17, Hilden building, and receive reward.

BOARD OF TRADE

Held Annual Banquet Last Evening

LIEUT.-GOV. GUILD WAS PRINCIPAL SPEAKER

Japan and Russia Commercial Foes

The Lowell board of trade banquet in Odd Fellows' temple last evening was, from point of attendance, probably the most successful in the history of the board. Lieut. Gov. Curtis Guild was the principal speaker. The welcome was extended by Pres. Charles H. Conant, and prayer was offered by Rev. C. W. Huntington.

A reception was held in the rooms adjoining the banquet hall from 6.15 to 6.45 o'clock. The march to the banquet hall started at 7 o'clock with Pres. Conant and the lieutenant-governor in the lead.

When cigars were lighted President Conant presented Mayor Howe, who received a very hearty welcome.

MAYOR CHARLES E. HOWE.

Mayor Howe said: "After the very flattering introduction of my friend, the president, you might expect something remarkable from me in the line of a speech, but you will have to suffer a disappointment, because you will be more pleased to hear from those who are to follow." After brief remarks in which he expressed his hope that Lowell would get her share of good things in the line of new industries, Mayor Howe gave way to the next speaker.

PRESIDENT STATE BOARD OF TRADE.

Charles E. Adams, president of the state board of trade, was introduced. He said in part:

"We have the strongest aggregation of business men throughout Massachusetts of any other organization." In speaking of the work of the state board of trade, Mr. Adams expressed his belief in the power of numbers. The power of the individual, he said, was weak, while three or four work up to a leverage power. He spoke of the power of the Springfield board of trade, numerically, and hoped that Lowell would not fail to appreciate the worth and efforts of her local board. He spoke of the necessity of having business men at the head of the department of commerce and labor and regretted that the department didn't have more business and commercial knowledge at the helm. He referred to the hearing on the trading stamps in Boston a few days ago and declared it one of the very best hearings ever held at the state house. The speaker referred to a legislation now sleeping, that will call for a statement of the assets and liabilities of cities and towns; yearly, as is exacted from corporations. He understood, he said, that such legislation would be frowned upon by a certain class of politicians.

HON. W. R. WALKER.

Hon. W. R. Walker of New York was next introduced. He dwelt at considerable length upon the home life in towns, cities and country districts, and tarried with the fact that only a few years ago 67 per cent. of the population lived in the country districts and that now, the table stands reversed, with numbers in favor of the city, giving it the 67 per cent. that was once the country district's claim. He paid tribute to the history, drama and patriotism of Massachusetts. He spoke extemporaneously and his words were eloquently impressive. Into his speech were woven gems of thought, historical, personal and patriotic. It teemed with a mother's sentiment and overflowed with the joy that a son felt in the fond recollections of a mother's interest and a mother's joy.

His mother's sentiment was his guiding star and the flame of its influence has not yet felt the shadow of other thoughts, though he has passed the half century mark. His words glowed with historical reminiscence, and the very important and sensational movements of the country's history were restored to a peculiar freshness by the power of his eloquence.

He expressed his belief in Puritanical virtues and stood aglast at such success as is achieved by the power of trickery and deceit. Into his speech were incorporated personal experiences that lent a charm to the memory of events, national and otherwise.

CURTIS GUILD, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

TRADE WITH THE ORIENT.

Mr. Guild, the speaker of the evening, in the course of an illustrated lecture on our trade with the Orient, said in part:

At present we are all interested, of course, in the war in the east. Russia is seeking on the Pacific as in the Levant an outlet to the sea. Japan is seeking expansion for the millions now crowding her islands by an acquisition of the mainland to the west.

It is for the interest of this country, of course, that Northern China, Manchuria, should maintain an open door for our products now flowing thither in such abundance.

Our exports to the Chinese empire and Hong Kong together amounted in value in 1903 to $27,394,190. Ten years ago in 1893 they were but $8,117,069.

Our business today with Russia and Japan compares as follows, the year being the fiscal year ending June 30:

UNITED STATES EXPORTS.

1903.

TO RUSSIA.

Baltic and White seas	$13,309,370
Black sea	2,723,258
Russian China	631,756
Asiatic Russia	802,428
Total	$17,606,812

TO JAPAN.

Total	$20,924,863

UNITED STATES IMPORTS.

1903.

FROM RUSSIA.

Baltic and White seas	$7,731,411
Black sea	1,508,311
Russian China	1,435
Asiatic Russia	28,270
Total	$9,269,067

FROM JAPAN.

Total	$44,142,562

It will be seen that in our trade with Russia the balance of trade is in our favor, Russia buying nearly twice as much from us as she sells to us. In our trade with Japan the balance of trade is in Japan's favor and against us. Japan sells to us goods of more than twice the value of what she buys.

On the other hand it will be noticed that our combined commerce with all the Russias is less than half our combined commerce with Japan.

Russia sells us chiefly flax, hides, furs, and skins, carpet wool, bristles, cattle hair and licorice root. Our imports from Russia of hides, of horses, calves, goats, sheep and other animals are some four millions of dollars a year in value. Our imports of wool from Russia amount annually to some two millions of dollars.

Russia buys from us raw cotton (to the value of two to three millions of dollars annually), agricultural implements (to the value of from one to two millions annually), wheat flour (to the value of a million or so a year, rosin and hardware and machinery of every description.

Japan sells us chiefly raw silk ($21,615,212 in 1903), tea ($6,160,037 in 1903), silk goods ($3,961,379 in 1903), with china and porcelain, camphor, cotton goods, rice, straw mattings, sulphur, straw braid for millinery, copper and curios.

Japan's largest items of import are raw cotton (over seven millions in value a year, (kerosene to the extent of three and a half millions a year) and tobacco, etc. (from one to two millions a year.) Aside from these Japan buys well-nigh everything we manufacture, from electrical machinery and hardware to butter and cheese and typewriters.

Neither Russia nor Japan are good customers for Massachusetts shoes or cotton goods. Both import the material and manufacture their own. Russia threatens us as a growing producer of wheat and has already surpassed us as a producer of petroleum. Japan threatens us as a manufacturing nation, with the cheapest labor in the world, except China's, and the invention and push to forward it.

Russia threatens Pennsylvania, Texas and Dakota. Japan threatens Massachusetts and Connecticut and New Jersey. Russia cuts away a share of our foreign market with cheap petroleum and wheat. Japan invades our own market with cheap silk handkerchiefs and tooth brushes and pottery. One, broadly speaking, is our antagonist on natural, the other on manufactured products.

Among those present were Rev. Harvey B. Greene, Sec'y B. Hodgman, Rev. C. E. Fisher, Hon. Samuel P. Hadley, George C. Prince, Hon. John E. Drury, William F. Hills, James T. Smith, Capt. O. E. Pratt, Col. A. M. Chadwick, Frank E. Dunbar, A. G. Walsh, Major Perkins, F. H. Rourke, Elisha J. Neale, Charles H. Coburn, W. S. Watson, J. H. Shepard, George L. Huntoon, Chas. H. Hobson, Judge Frederick A. Fisher, S. H. Thompson, Charles L. McCleery, Harry R. Rice, James G. Buttrick, A. S. Lyon, Charles Runels, Fred Howe, Caleb L. Smith, John A. Faulkner, A. C. Thomas, A. F. Swanton, Patrick O'Hearn, Edward Cawley, F. P. Marble, Peter W. Reilly, F. T. Walsh, C. W. Clark, E. T. Adams, Milo D. Clay, W. L. Parker, A. F. French, Henry A. Smith, William H. Brown, David Dickson, John L. Robertson, Jacob B. Currier, F. J. Flemings, E. S. Hylan, Geo. C. Read, Tyler A. Stevens, E. J. Richardson, John C. Burke, George H. Tryder, Dr. E. B. Holt, Fred Walsh, F. M. Bills, William E. Badger, John A. Weinbeck, James B. Casey, E. S. Homer, E. W. Lovejoy, F. N. Qua, Cyrus Barton, George E. Davis, John P. Davis, Joseph Richardson, D. L. Page, J. G. Marshall, Eugene Stanley, George Fairburn.

THIRTY SUICIDES

DURING LAST YEAR WERE CAUSED BY GAS.

The board of gas and electric light commissioners sent its 19th annual report to the legislature yesterday afternoon. The report contains no recommendation of importance. The board reports that there were 66 fatal accidents in 1903, involving 72 persons. There were 68 non-fatal cases, involving 146 persons. Of electric fatal accident cases there were five, involving five persons. The non-fatal accidents were seven in number, involving seven persons. The fatal gas accident cases include 30 suicides.

In the course of the year the board received 28 applications for approval of issues of new stock or bonds. The amount of securities asked for was $4,311,200; the amount approved was $3,770,200. In 19 cases the full amount asked for was approved, and no petitio nwas dismissed.

BISCOE EXONERATED

ONLY CHARGE OF NEGLECT HELD AGAINST HIM.

WASHINGTON, March 11.—Complete exoneration on all the charges presented against him save that of neglect of duty, is the verdict in the case of Paymaster Harry Earl Biscoe, of the United States battleship Oregon, recently tried by court martial on numerous charges, including falsehood and shortage of supplies to the value of $2600. The court sentenced him to a loss of fifteen numbers in grade, which in the case of a line officer would amount to 150 numbers. The case will be reviewed at Washington before the sentence is executed. Biscoe, who is widely known in the navy, entered a vigorous protest with the secretary of the navy last year against the criticism by Admiral Evans of the personnel of the court in the case of Assistant Paymaster Nicholson, of which Paymaster Biscoe was a member, for what the admiral regarded as an inadequate sentence. After long consideration the secretary of the navy decided not to uphold the protest of Paymaster Biscoe, but he refused to endorse the severe language used by Admiral Evans in his arraignment of the court. Considerable feeling resulted in the navy, and because of this, an order was sent from the navy department to Admiral Evans detaching Paymaster Biscoe from the Asiatic station and assigning him to duty in Washington in the bureau of supplies and accounts. Admiral Evans in a brief cablegram responded that Paymaster Biscoe had been ordered before a court martial on numerous charges. Nothing had been known of the charges against the paymaster when the order was sent and it is stated that the court martial will not interfere with the department's order assigning him to Washington. It has been decided that the papers in the case when received here, shall receive a rigid review at the hands of the judge advocate general and probably of the secretary himself.

HAVERHILL WON

Lowell Defeated in Fast Game

MANCHESTER BURIED THE NATICK TEAM

Devlin Did Some Fine Work

Haverhill defeated Lowell last night, 33 to 28.

Loos, one of the new men secured from Hudson by Manager Gray, allowed Horan, the big Haverhill center, to throw six baskets in less than two periods, and that accounts for the defeat in a great measure. Loos was simply unable to cover Horan and the big fellow tossed baskets with apparent ease. In the middle of the second period Loos was taken out of the game and Getzinger took his place. Getzinger held Horan down to a single basket during the remainder of the game. The only trouble with "Get" was that at times he could not hold his feet. Had he played the entire game, however, the result might have been different.

Jimmy Harrington scored only one goal but he gave a fine exhibition of floor work. "Bucky" Low went in for two periods and displayed his usual cleverness despite the fact that his shoulder is badly injured. "Bucky" managed to locate the basket twice.

The roughest man in the game was Wachter, the race horse. He had eleven fouls called on him and there were others that the referee failed to see. One attack that he made on Kane was entirely uncalled for. He caught the Lowell man full in the face and play was stopped for a few minutes.

Kane was Lowell's best scorer, and Doyle could do nothing with him. He tossed half a dozen baskets, some of them of the sensational order.

The Haverhill team was accompanied by a crowd of rooters and they made themselves heard all right.

"Connie" Driscoll threw another fit about the middle of the second period when Manager Gray, in violation of the rules, ordered the bell rung in order that he might have Loos retire from the game.

The game itself was one of the most exciting of the season and during the latter part of the third period the audience kept up a continuous cheering and rooting.

The lineup and summary:

LOWELL.	HAVERHILL.
Kane lf	rb Wachter
Mathews rf	lb Doyle
Getzinger, Loos c	c Horan
Holleron rb	lf Low, Kennedy
Tigue, Leighton lb	rf Harrington

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Lowell, Kane	2—0
Goal, Lowell, Kane	4—0
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	4—2
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter	5—2
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	5—4
Third foul, Lowell, Loos	5—5
Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter	6—5
Goal, Lowell, Leighton	8—5
Goal, Lowell, Loos	10—5
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	10—7
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	10—9
Goal, Haverhill, Harrington	10—11
Goal, Haverhill, Low	10—13
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews	10—14

SECOND PERIOD.

Third foul, Haverhill, Wachter	11—14
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	11—16
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	11—18
Goal, Haverhill, Low	11—20
Goal, Lowell, Kane	13—20
Goal, Haverhill, Horan	13—23
Goal, Lowell, Kane	15—23
Third foul, Haverhill, Harrington	16—23
Goal, Lowell, Mathews	18—23
Third foul, Lowell, Leighton	18—23

THIRD PERIOD.

Goal, Haverhill, Wachter	18—25
Third foul, Haverhill, Doyle	19—25
Goal, Lowell, Getzinger	21—25
Goal, Haverhill, Wachter	21—27
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews	21—28
Third foul, Haverhill, Low	22—28
Goal, Lowell, Kane	24—28
Third foul, Lowell, Mathews	24—29
Goal, Haverhill, Kennedy	24—31
Third foul, Haverhill, Kennedy	25—31
Third foul, Haverhill, Horan	26—31
Goal, Lowell, Kane	28—31
Third foul, Lowell, Holleron	28—32
Third foul, Lowell, Getzinger	28—33

Score, Haverhill 33, Lowell 28. Goals from the floor, Horan 7, Harrington, Low 2, Wachter 2, Kennedy, Kane 6, Loos, Leighton, Mathews, Getzinger. Points on fouls, Haverhill 7, Lowell 8. Fouls committed, Wachter 10, Horan 6, Doyle 4, Harrington 3, Kennedy 2, Low, Mathews 6, Holleron 4, Kane 4, Leighton 3, Getzinger 3, Loos. Referee, Michael Godley of Fitchburg. Timekeepers, Connie Driscoll for Haverhill, James Gray for Lowell. Attendance, 1200.

AN AWFUL TROUNCING.

MANCHESTER, March 11—In the game in this city last night the home team played the Naticks clean off their feet and made them look like the proverbial thirty cents, defeating the visitors by the score of 64 to 7. Devlin did the best work for the home team, scoring seven baskets. The floor work of Donnelly and Dan Lynch with clever blocking kept the star shooters of the visiting team from connecting with the basket.

It was the fastest game that has been seen in Mechanics' hall for many a day and the pace was such that the visitors were not in the hunt for a minute, and practically quit in the last period. They were unable to cope with the furious pace set by the home team. Manchester played a superb game and their passing was perfect. Shots for the basket were numerous and seldom missed. They covered their opponents closely and it was seldom that they were allowed an easy shot.

In the first period Manchester piled up 18 points as the result of baskets. In fact, their entire 64 points was the result of 32 baskets, failing to obtain one on fouls. The visitors contributed three during the game, and these were at intervals. After the second period the visitors played a listless game, realizing that it was all over. The large score of the home team was in a measure due to this. During the first two periods Manchester scored 19 baskets to their opponents' two.

In the last period Whiting replaced Devlin, who suffered a slight injury to his wrist by falling on the floor. He scored six baskets, which came as the result of the members of the home team feeding the ball to him and the opposing players making but a slight attempt to prevent him from scoring. Reagan replaced Qualey in the third period, the former suffering a slight injury to his lip, which was split open in the Haverhill game.

Healey also played a fast game and prevented big Bill Sheridan from getting a look in, while he scored five baskets himself. Qualey, as usual, put up a strenuous article of ball, and his shooting was fine. For Natick, Punch was the only one who seemed able to locate the basket, and this was seldom.

Lineup and summary:—

MANCHESTER	NATICK
Qualey, Regan rf	lb Hayes
Devlin, Whiting lf	rb Falle
Healey c	c W. Sheridan
Donnelly rb	lf Joe Lynch
D. Lynch lb	rf Punch

Score—Manchester 64, Natick 7. Goals from the floor—Qualey 4, Regan, Devlin 7, Whiting 6, Healey 5, Donnelly 6, D. Lynch 3, Punch 2, Hayes. Points on fouls—Natick 1. Fouls committed—Devlin 2, Donnelly. Referee—Charles Connors of Lowell. Timekeepers—Balch for Manchester, Martens for Natick. Attendance—500.

HOLY CROSS IS CHAMPION.

WORCESTER, March 11.—With the defeat of Dartmouth last night by a score of 9 to 6, Holy Cross won the title of champion of New England. The game was one of the most bitter contests this season and every moment, especially in the last half, was utilized by the New Hampshire boys to overcome the lead of Holy Cross. The effort caused many fouls for both teams. The close blocking of both teams and O'Toole's baskets from very difficult angles were the features of the first half.

At the opening of the second half Dartmouth made the greatest bid for the game and only failed in raising her score by the greatest ill-luck. Rix tried his skill at the basket and converted three tries into three points, the only ones made in this half.

HOLY CROSS	DARTMOUTH
Connor lf	lf Hobart
O'Toole rf	rf Ryder (Russ)
Spring c	c Giebstein
Quinn lb	lb McGrail
Reed (Dolliver) rb	rb Rix

Score—Holy Cross 9, Dartmouth 6. Goals from floor—O'Toole 3, Hobart. Baskets on free tries—Spring 3, Rix 3. Hobart. Referee—Hehir. Umpire—Charles Russ. Time—20-minutes halves.

MOTHERS STOPPED GAME.

WINSTED, Ct., March 11.—The rival girl basketball teams of the Gilbert school, an aristocratic Winsted institution of learning, and St. Francis Ladies' Total Abstinence and Benevolent society were scheduled to try conclusions in the armory last night, but the game was postponed because some of the mothers of the players objected to their daughters playing in public in short skirts. There was considerable disappointment among the young men and admirers of the girls.

BASKETBALL NOTES.

Tomorrow there will be two games and we want them both. Manchester will lineup against Lowell in the afternoon and again in the evening. The afternoon game will be called at 3 o'clock and the evening contest will begin at 8.30. Both games will be worth seeing as the rivalry between the teams is well known and neither stops at anything to score a victory over the other.

Doyle says that Pete Regan's statement about his treatment of Mike Qualey does not bother him any.

Bill Kelliher of Haverhill is spending his spare time coaching amateur teams. Bill as an amateur is a corker and no mistake—Manchester News.

Bill can hold his own with the majority of professionals.

The Shawlights and Co. M will undoubtedly come together next week for a purse of $50. The members of the former team are anxious to prove that they are a better team than Co. M.

For a little lad, Jimmy Harrington is doing remarkably well. He is the smallest player in the business, but plays the big men as though they were his size. His floor work is great. The Shawlights are on hand every time Haverhill comes to town and they make their presence known when Jimmy scores.

The Boston Globe says:

Manager Healey of the Natick basketball team complains that some of the managers of the New England basketball league teams are adopting unfair methods in an attempt to freeze out the Natick team in the post-season games for a purse of $250.

The Natick team was formerly the Chicopee team of the Central Massachusetts basketball league and it did not enter the New England league until rather late in the season. Therefore the managers of some of the New England league teams do not think they should be entitled to play in the post-series games.

Manager Healey has called for a meeting of the league next Sunday, which is to be held in Hotel Belvidere, Lowell, and he claims that the Natick team will undoubtedly be declared eligible to contest with the Manchester team for the prize money.

PLAY IT SQUARE

Manchester Team Has No Kick Coming

MR. GRAY HAS TAKEN NO ADVANTAGE

John Smith Had the Same Chances

The Manchester cranks fearing that their team will go down in defeat in the post season series if they are stacked up against the Lowell team are just aching to get Natick in on the $200 series. Also they are trying to show that John Smith would be justified in picking up Hough, Fogarty and Ferat after the season closes in order to help out the team in the series.

They say that Manager Gray of the Lowell team is doing the same thing because he has signed Loos and Leighton but they forget that Manager Gray has not signed a man who is under contract with any other team until that team has disbanded and then he has taken them and placed their names on the Lowell pay-roll and made them full-fledged members of his team long before the season closed. John Smith before the season closed. John Smith's game is to get Ferat, Hough and Fogarty when South Framingham has completed its schedule and install them on his Manchester team. Smith will try his best to push this scheme and it will be for the league directors to settle the matter at the meeting on Sunday, March 20. If the league decided in his favor Manager Gray will accept the decision despite the fact that it will be a rank imposition on the local team and public. Even Smith's own players do not approve of his plan although they will not say so probably in Manchester. Here is a sample of the weak argument put forth by Smith's friends on the Manchester papers:

"As Loos and Leighton of the disbanded Hudson team are now drawing Lowell salaries, where does Manager Gray's kick come in over Mullner. Fogarty and Hough playing with Manchester?"

Another excuse from the Manchester News runs like this:

"Jimmie Gray, manager of the Lowell team, an all-around promoter of sports in general, together with several of his good friends, have been making a great hue and cry over the fact that John Smith will introduce Fogarty, Mullner and Hough in blue and gold uniforms during the post season series. At the same time, Gray has been snapping up every available player in sight, whether he be from the defunct Western league or otherwise. Manchester and Pocahontas Smith have just as much right to take the famous South Framingham trio aboard as Gray has to corral a dozen or more players who, in order to be sure of them during the post-season series, is willing to pay salaries for a few weeks of idleness. Smith has simply got the bulge on Gray, and the Lowell man is crying quits in the first round. His newspaper support in the crybaby act is remarkably good."

Now let us get down to facts. Much as the Manchester papers, sports and John Smith may desire it, the Natick team will not take part in the post season series. The choice is between Lowell and Haverhill. Again for the benefit of some of the "sports" of Manchester, let it be known that Manager Gray is a true sport and no crybaby. Had he not been made of the right stuff, Manchester would have been without a basket ball team as John Smith himself can truthfully say. It will be recalled that when an attempt, which afterwards proved successful, was made to have the teams play on the percentage plan Manager Gray strongly opposed the proposition and it was only when John Smith begged that the plan be adopted and pointed out that it was the only salvation of the Manchester team that Manager Gray agreed to it.

Let it be known, too, that when the Lawrence team disbanded Manager Smith did his best to get Kane and Tigue for Manchester, but he wanted them for nothing whereas Manager Gray was ready, and did settle for these players, the amount he paid being $150. Had Manager Gray acted as did Fred Lake in the different baseball deals Manager Smith would not be in the running now in basket ball.

Manager Gray has shown himself the true sport and has made deals at his own expense in order to help out the game in the different league cities. He is not trying to impose on anyone. He is simply doing what John Smith could have done had he shown the enterprise and been willing to spend the money. He has obtained all his men in a legitimate manner; the new men he got when they were out of positions.

If the Manchester people or Manager Smith want to have it so, the Lowell team, if winners in the present series, will meet the pick of the league, but it must be known by its true name and not as the Manchester team.

There is no attempt in this city to resort to any tricks; we like the game here and we want to see the old team that represented the Burkes, and now wear the Manchester colors, stack up against our leaders, and if Manchester can win the series no one will give Mike Qualey, Peck Donnelly, Slats Healey, Dan Lynch, Frank Devlin and Pete Regan more credit than will the people of Lowell who follow basket ball.

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HEALTH PAY ROLL

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Mayor Howe yesterday signed the draft for the payment of the salaries of the employes of the health department, the payroll of which was signed by Chairman Holbrook, whose salary the mayor last week refused to sanction.

By signing the draft the mayor recognizes the chairman's right to sign the payroll, which hardly seems consistent with his action of last week. His honor was not at City hall when The Sun reporter called and hence his views on the matter could not be obtained. The health department payrolls were also signed by Alderman Gallagher as chairman of the committee on accounts, and Alderman Gallagher believes until some legal authority convinces him otherwise that both Messrs. Holbrook and McGuinness are legal holdovers.

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CLUB MATINEE DINED.

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RUSSIAN-JAPANESE WAR

(Continued.)

PROTOCOL NULLIFIES RUSSIAN CONGESSIONS

TOKIO, March 11—The Japanese-Korean protocol was published at Seoul, in an extra edition of the Gazette yesterday. The Korean government will publicly announce that the publication of the protocol nullifies the concessions granted to Russia, such as the non-alienation of coal mining at Kochyo Island and Rose island and the forestry concessions in the Ulleungdo, Tumen and Yalu valleys.

RUSSIANS BUILDING DEFENCES AT WIJU

TOKIO, March 11—The Wiju-Seoul railway concession was signed yesterday by the Japanese and Korean authorities.

The Russians are engaged in building defences at Wiju which will co-operate with the fortifications already constructed on the left bank of the Yalu. It is reported that the Russians have 250,000 tons of coal at Wiju which they keep drenched with kerosene in readiness to burn should the Japanese land there.

JAPANESE SHIPS BEING REPAIRED

VLADIVOSTOK, March 11—The Korean inhabitants of Vladivostok, as a tangible proof of their sympathy with Russia, have gratuitously placed their services at the disposal of the commander of the town for the construction of defences.

Foreign residents of Nagasaki who have arrived here report that all the Japanese docks are engaged in making repairs to the ships that were damaged in the engagement at Port Arthur.

STILL SHELLING PORT ARTHUR

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 11—Up to this hour no further news is obtainable of the bombardment of Port Arthur, which was progressing, according to the latest advices, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Whatever later information, if any, the emperor may have is not known. Military and naval circles are mystified at the purpose of the appearance of Japanese torpedo boats during the previous night, as it was not accompanied by a serious attempt upon the Russian ships. The bombardment of the fleet from a position off Liaotishin promonotory, which is five to six miles from Golden Hill, at the entrance of the harbor, is believed to indicate that the Japanese were afraid to risk a frontal attack under the guns of the land batteries. It is considered doubtful whether any of the guns of the Russian batteries command the location from which the Japanese were firing. It is pointed out that dropping shells into the harbor and town even in fun is accompanied by danger and this hazardous work is explicable perhaps only on the theory that it was meant as a diversion to cover more serious operations elsewhere. Still, some of the experts here declare their belief that the only object of the Japanese was to keep the garrison and fleet worried.

JAPANESE SCOUTS FOUGHT COSSACKS

LONDON, March 11—The Times publishes a despatch from Tokio saying that the ice on the Yalu river has begun to melt.

Japanese scouts have encountered 40 Cossacks, the correspondent continues at Kasan, 58 miles north of Ping Yang, on the road to Wiju.

KING EDWARD DESIRES PEACE

PARIS, March 11.—A correspondent of the Figaro at St. Petersburg writes that as a result of the recent letter from King Edward to the czar, in which His Majesty expressed in cordial terms his desire for peace, the editors of several newspapers in St. Petersburg were summoned to the office of the censor and ordered to moderate their anti-British tendencies.

This correspondent says also that the czar has requested the emperor of Germany to communicate to him his personal criticism of military and naval events in the Far East, as the news of such occurrences is received.

200,000 TROOPS HAVE LEFT JAPAN

LONDON, March 11—Neither the official nor the independent dispatches published this morning add much knowledge to the progress of the war. Speculation regarding the military situation on the Yalu river is most keen, but no news of a reliable character has been received.

The Nagasaki correspondent of the Daily Express asserts that 200,000 troops have been shipped from Japan and that a portion of the second army corps is now on its way to Korea.

The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Chronicle evidently referring to the same movements, cables that the transportation to northern Korea of three divisions of Japanese troops has been completed and that these men are beginning to advance, while 10 divisions of the second army corps have already been mobilized.

As an illustration of the curiously contradictory character of reports from the far east received here, the Kin Chau correspondent of the Daily Chronicle mentions Fung Wang Chang (which is about 45 miles northwest of Antung, in Manchuria) as one of several points of Russian concentration, while other correspondents have reported that the Japanese have captured Fung Wang Chang. Other correspondents report that the Russians have mined all points where it is possible to cross the Yalu river.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that the Japanese after Port Arthur is neutralized probably will move two armies to the north simultaneously, one from the southern part of the Liao Tung peninsular and the other from the Yalu river.

The Russians are now moving northward in Korea, this correspondent continues, with the intention of making Wiju their defensive base.

A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who was in Japan recently, wires from Seoul that the Japanese are making steady progress with their land movements.

The roads are occupied by Japanese troops.

According to a Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard the Russians are withdrawing all their superfluous troops from Port Arthur to Harbin and Kirin because of the shortness of provisions and because it is doubtful whether or not they will be able to hold either Port Arthur or New Chwang against a resolute attack. The spirit of the Russian troops, who are largely recruits, has been broken by starvation, cold and harsh treatment from their officers. The Russian losses on the Yalu river are reported to reach a total of 2000 men.

A correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Tokio says the Jiji Shimpo has received a communication from Pekin declaring that Great Britain and the United States have protested against Russia sinking junks in the channel of the Liao river at New Chwang, on the ground that this would prevent the egress of the warships of these powers from the river.

The Standard this morning publishes an article in which the writer points out the defenceless condition of the Amur river. Russia never profited from the experiences of the Boxer outbreak, he says, and she has no forts or gunboats on the river. It is probable that when the ice disappears the Japanese will send a fleet of armed gunboats into the river and make themselves felt along its entire length.

HOT RACE WITH RUSSIAN SQUADRON

VICTORIA, B. C., March 11—The Northern Pacific liner Olympia arrived from Yokohama yesterday. Among her passengers was Capt. Hill, who commanded the Japanese cruiser Nisshin from Genoa to Yokohama. He gives a most interesting account of the trip, which included a race with the Russian cruiser Aurora in the Red Sea and the escape of the Nisshin and Kasuga from possible capture by the Russian squadron.

Capt. Hill says that when the two Japanese cruisers got through the Suez canal they were closely followed by the Russian squadron, which was evidently trying hard to keep in close touch with them. The Aurora, which enjoys the reputation of being one of the fastest vessels afloat, attempted to overhaul the two cruisers which, however, put on more steam and ran away from her with the greatest ease. From the firing up done on the Aurora it was evident that she meant business.

Capt. Hill had a long conversation with the Japanese admirals when in Japan, shortly before leaving, and they told him that the main object of the Japanese operations at present was Port Arthur. They were to capture that place at any cost and were confident of their ability to do so. No effort, the Japanese naval minister assured Capt. Hill, would be spared to reduce Port Arthur as quickly as possible. It would then be re-fortified by the Japanese, who would remain there instead of following the Russians into the wilderness of northern Manchuria or Siberia. The intention also is to reduce Vladivostok as soon as the ice goes out.

In reply to the question to whether the superb gunnery of the Japanese warships was due to the presence of British or American gunners aboard, Capt. Hill said most emphatically that not a white man is employed on any Japanese warship in any capacity whatever. From the bridge to the stokers every man is Japanese.

Regarding the foreign correspondents in Japan Capt. Hill said that the feeling among them was intense. They were in despair at the reticence of the government and people and found it impossible to obtain even a scrap of authentic news.

As far as Capt. Hill was aware there was not a foreign correspondent with either the Japanese fleet or navy.

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CUTTING ICE

STREET DEPARTMENT MEN CLEANING UP REMAINS OF WINTER.

The street department is working with 250 men and they have begun the task of removing the thick covering of ice from the principal streets, disclosing at last the bare pavements. By watching the work of removing this thick ice one gets an idea of the severity of the snow storms, for there has been formed on the streets a brick-like substance in some places over one foot thick.

SIR HERBERT MURRAY DEAD.

LONDON, March 11.—Sir Herbert Harley Murray, former governor of Newfoundland, died this afternoon. He was born in 1829.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, March 11.—Money on call easy at 2 per cent.; prime mercantile paper 4½ a 6¼ per cent.

Exchanges, $159,919,163; balances, $7,906,943.

Double Dark Blue Stamps for Saturday

Ladies' Fine Kid Boots, all sizes	$1.00 a Pair
Ladies' Fine Kid Boots, Blucher cut, all sizes	$1.23 a Pair
Ladies' Storm Rubbers, all sizes	39c
Misses' and Children's Rubbers	25c
Boys' Rubbers, sizes 2½ to 6	39c
Men's Rubbers, sizes 6 to 11	48c
Men's Solid Leather Shoes, all sizes	98c
Men's Fine Shoes, all sizes	$1.19
Men's Vici Shoes, sizes 6 to 10	$1.43
Men's Box Calf Shoes, sizes 6 to 10	$1.43
Boys' Shoes, sizes 8 to 13, spring heels	69c

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EARLY BIRDS

Liquor Officers Were Astir Betimes

The liquor squad was early on the scene this morning and while March's early morning breeze was playing along the Merrimack, the liquor hungry officers strolled across Contrailville bridge and called at 172 Lakeview avenue, at exactly 6 o'clock.

The diligent searchers were there but a few moments when they connected with a keg containing 12 gallons of whiskey, with 32 bottles of the same medicine on the side. The liquor is alleged to belong to parties running the saloon formerly run by Frank Callahan.

ALE AND WHISKEY

THE SEIZURE OFFICERS FOUND SOME IN BOARDING HOUSE.

The liquor officers called at the boarding house occupied by Stephen Murphy, at 201 Dutton street, about 5.30 last evening, and seized three cases of ale and a quantity of whiskey.

WATERS RECEDING.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 11.—The water here has fallen to 24 feet today but the gorges three miles below this city and two miles above remain intact, threatening another flood.

Many persons are returning to their homes. The passing out of the gorges at Bloomsburg and Danville greatly relieved the situation there. Hundreds of men were sent along the railroads today to clear the tracks of ice and fill in the miles of road bed which have been washed away.

Actors, Singers, Talkers—Are all more or less subject to bad throat, hoarseness, tonsilitis and catarrh. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder never disappoints. "I can but proclaim Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powders a wonderful medicine for actors, singers and public speakers. Myself and my wife have tried everything, but have never found anything to equal this great remedy for quick action; it certainly is a wonder worker."—Al. Emmett Foster, New York City. Sold by Ellingwood & Co. and Falls & Burkinshaw.—25.

MATHEW TEMPERANCE INSTITUTE

Members of the above named organization are requested to attend the dedication of the memorial tablet at the rooms of the society Sunday, March 13, at 3 p.m.

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is needed in the care of the eyes.

Optician George G. Rogers,

145 MERRIMACK STREET

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BRITISH EXHIBIT

$350,000 MORE MAY BE APPROPRIATED.

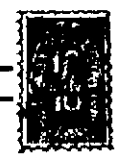
LONDON, March 11.—An additional vote of $350,000 for the British exhibit at St. Louis, making a total of $750,000, is included in the civil service estimates for the coming year. These and the revenue department total $283,952,835. With the already announced estimates for the army and navy totalling upwards of $325,000,000 it appears that the full estimates will show an expenditure for the years 1904-05 of about $710,000,000.

RECRUITING BILL PASSED.

BUDA PEST, Mar. 11—The recruiting bill, which had been the subject of strong opposition for a long time, passed all its stages today in the lower house of the Hungarian diet.

ABANDONED AT SEA.

ST. MICHAELS, Azore Islands, March 11.—The British steamer Cairnisla, (Capt. Bond from Savannah, Feb. 20, for Havre) has landed here the crew of the British bark Mary A. Troop (Capt. Walley, from Pensacola, Jan 4, for Rio Janerio) which was abandoned.



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The MERRIMACK Women's Dept.

Spring Covert Coats

Man Tailored

15 styles to select from today.

Every style is new and shows the careful handling and finished appearance of garments worked by men tailors.

The styles are exclusive with us—not one of them will be found in any other Lowell store.

You will find as good coats as these in Boston—for one-half more than we ask you.

Our salespeople have never been so enthusiastic as they are with these clever new spring coats. They would enjoy the privilege of showing them to you.

A few styles only in detail:—

At $12.50

Fitted back, fly front Covert Coat with guaranteed satin lining. Coat is 23 inches long and has very graceful lines, giving a long shoulder effect. Price $12.50. Other styles at this price.

At $15.00

Another Covert Coat in a distinctly new style idea, made 23 inches long, with shoulder capes and button trimming, satin lined. A very swell coat for $15.00. Other styles also at this price.

At $18.50

A very popular coat of fine men's wear, Covert cloth, fitted back, with wide stitched strap, giving it a graceful look; double-breasted front, with plain coat sleeves and taffeta lined—a perfect model of modern tailoring for $18.50.

We show a very strong line at this price.

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One of the novelties in coats is the striped Covert cloths made up in a style that's different from the ordinary run of coats—welted back and front, with cape effect. You'll appreciate this coat more if you see it. Others at this price also.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

15,252 The sworn daily average circulation for two months of 1904 was: **15,252**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell, and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Hearst's money talked in the Rhode Island convention for the nomination of delegates to the democratic national convention at St. Louis.

Various estimates have been set upon the actual loss in the fire at Baltimore, but the lowest etimate is $100,000,000. The insurance loss is about $40,000,000.

Congressman Ames has failed conspicuously in his effort to get more carriers for the local postoffice. As a result on a considerable number of routes the number of daily deliveries will be reduced from three to two. It is a disappointment to the people and to the local office.

The Lawrence representative who thinks that the proposed trunk sewer to relieve the Merrimack river of the pollution from the cities along its banks might have its mouth at Haverhill, had better take another think and get a better one. We pass that right along.—Haverhill Gazette.

We surmise that the project is so far in the distance that it is useless for Lawrence and Haverhill to dispute over its coming.

The Haverhill Gazette is apparently the friend of the trading stamp, as it says that the legislature is powerless to interfere with the stamp business. The Gazette being the only paper in Haverhill it is reasonable to suppose that when the trading stamps are driven from other cities they will still find a hiding place in Haverhill. We should not be surprised to find the Gazette giving away stamps as a means of increasing its circulation.

HEARST BEATEN BY COCKRAN.

The labor leaders of this city have been urged to send telegrams at the expense of the New York Journal to the speaker of the house of representatives urging him to appoint Mr. Hearst upon the ways and means committee to which Mr. Cockran has just been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Congressman McClellan. This explains Hearst's attack upon Cockran, but that attack was mild in comparison to the attack made upon Hearst himself by the New York Evening Post. Hearst's scheme to turn down Cockran and capture the place on the ways and mean committee was a complete failure as it should be.

GRANITE AS BUILDING MATERIAL

Some builders as well as some proprietors, think that granite is the very best building material for any structure; but a view of the ruins of St. Patrick's church will convince anyone to the contrary. Some of the granite blocks and pillars were found split through when the masons began to take them down. Granite is a good conductor of heat and being porous when the moisture it contains is heated it causes the heaviest blocks to crack and break. The case is different with ordinary stonework. The small stones are laid in mortar and the wall so built or built with bricks will resist the fire much better than granite. It is not advisable therefore to use much granite in buildings which are not entirely fireproof. In case of fire the granite will break up and destroy the wall in which it is placed.

A BILL THAT SHOULD BECOME LAW.

There is a bill before congress that as a matter of public policy should become law.

It is forbidden for any member of a city council or any office holder in the pay of the city to be directly or indirectly interested in any contract with the city for furnishing labor or material. The reason is obvious. For a like reason no member of the legislature is permitted to be interested in any contract authorized by the body of which he is a member.

Similarly it should be forbidden, but it isn't, for any member of congress or any senator to hold or receive the pay of any executive office, agency or commission.

It will be remembered that members of both houses of congress were appointed to the Anglo-American joint high commission; to the Paris peace commission that brought to an end the Spanish war and lastly that Senator Lodge was on the Alaskan boundary commission.

These are bad precedents as the practice is one of recent origin. It is necessary to pass the bill here referred to in order to prevent any extension of the abuse. The legislative and executive functions of government should be separated as otherwise the members of the legislative bodies can frame measures to call for their special services as paid agents of the government, thus bringing about a practice that may be used to the detriment of the nation.

A DIFFICULT DOMESTIC PROBLEM.

A correspondent writes to ask how a husband and wife can maintain a home and support a family on ten dollars a week.

We confess that we cannot shed much light on the subject but yet there are hundreds of men doing this very thing in this and other mill cities at the present time. Of course the food must be the plainest possible and we fear the quantity must be less than enough on many occasions. The clothing too must be plain and scant. Too often it happens that in such cases the children are not clad in a manner sufficient to protect them from the cold, and as a result there is sickness and too often death.

If it be difficult as it assuredly is to live and support a family on ten dollars a week surely the difficulties are increased when doctors' bills and funeral expenses have to be paid. Ten years ago the ordeal would not be as serious as it is today as the price of almost every commodity has increased from 10 to 25 per cent.

It is the difficulty of meeting extraordinary expenses, such as deaths and funerals that causes so many poor families to get all their children insured. They know that with an income barely sufficient to keep the wolf from the door, if sickness or death comes either will sink them irrevocably in debt.

But hard as the problem of supporting a family on ten dollars a week may be to the sober man, it is much more so, nay it will prove an impossibility to the man who drinks or who spends any considerable part of the amount for strong drink. He must be a heartless man who would leave his children hungry in order to satisfy his own appetite for drink, but unfortunately there are many who do it, many who will leave wife and children in rags, without protection from the winter's cold, without food sufficient to sustain life. Under such circumstances the agent of the Humane society or the secretary of the pauper department is called and the unfortunate wife and children become the wards of the city. Much of the destitution is due to the rigor of the industrial system, but much more to intemperance and thriftlessness. The industrial problems must be met and solved if at all with frugality, thrift and temperance, but without these there is but the alternatives of destitution and its well-known consequences.

BALFOUR SCORED

Lord Rosebery Gets After Premier

LONDON, March 11—An extraordinary scene disturbed the customary decorum of the House of Lords last evening.

In a recent debate in the House of Commons Premier Balfour had used the word "calumny" with reference to some statement made by Lord Rosebery in the fiscal controversy. When the officials met yesterday, Lord Rosebery asked Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, what justification existed for the premier's use of such a word. Lord Lansdowne proceeded to explain the circumstances, which concerned the alleged presentation of two documents by Premier Balfour to the cabinet on the fiscal question, and the subsequent withdrawal of them. He admitted the premier had used the word in the heat of debate. He said he thought the circumstances justified some warmth on the part of the premier, but that he had consulted with Mr. Balfour, who told him that he did not desire to impute to Lord Rosebery a deliberate attempt to misrepresent him.

After Lord Lansdowne had finished Lord Rosebery again rose and, declaring the explanation had not been sufficient, he fiercely attacked the premier, whom he accused of being too "thin skinned," adding "people who live in glass houses should not thrown stones. It is all very well to defend such language by saying it was due to the heat of debate, and only pretty Fanny's way. If a man cannot curb his tongue, better than that he is unfit to be the first lord of the treasury.

"I do not personally care a farthing what language Premier Balfour uses about me, and I only brought the matter before the House in order to point out that there are decencies in debate that should be used even by those who occupy the highest position."

As Lord Rosebery finished his tirade and sat down, a painful silence ensued and the lords looked at each other uncomfortably. After a long pause, Earl Spencer, the liberal leader, rose and said he thought Lord Rosebery had not been fairly used. After another awkward silence Lord Chancellor Halsbury asked whether Lord Rosebery had any motion to make. Lord Rosebery then moved an adjournment of the house, an almost unparalleled motion in the House of Lords, but he did not press the motion to a division and the subject was dropped.

CYCLE NEWS

The early spring riding is highly prized by some cyclists in spite of the fact that it is the most uncertain and frequently the most unsatisfactory of the year. It comes at the end of a more or less extended close season, and at a time when the rider longs for spring and all that it brings in its train. The first hint of a relaxation of winter's grip sets his thoughts on cycling, while the appearance of a balmy, sunny day begets the determination to make use of the first fine Sunday for an inaugural spin.

It is such a day usually that tempts the cyclist forth. The frost is still in the ground, although the sun, which each day gains in strength, is drawing it forth at a great rate. The surface of the road, which at the time of starting was hard and dry, becomes soggy before manly miles have been ridden, and from that goes on until it becomes the consistency of a thick paste, which makes hard going and plentifully bespatters the cyclist if he rides at any speed. As far as that part of the ride is concerned there is little chance of improvement, for the brighter and warmer the sun the more frost is drawn forth from the ground and the softer the road surface becomes.

The compensation for all this, however, is found in the cheerful sun, the grateful rays of which warm the cockles of your heart, and the life giving ozone, which you take into your lungs in great big gulps. Spring has come, and the great, wide outdoors beckons you once more with an allurement that you neither can nor want to resist. The Frost King is waging his last battle with his ancient enemy, Sol, and the latter's quick and overwhelming victory is seen to be inevitable. What matters a bit of muddy road when you know well it is the last token of winter, now in its death throes? Soon its shivering memory will be a memory only, and anon it will be forgotten altogether.

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STRIKE SETTLED

Boston Book and Job Printers Compromise

BOSTON, March 11—The strike of book and job printers, which has been in effect for several weeks, was settled last night at a joint meeting of a representative of Typographical union 13 and the Boston Typothetae. The settlement was in the nature of a compromise, and a contract between employers and employees was signed.

Under the contract arrived at the wages for piece work will be 38 cents per 1000 ems; for time work $17 a week on and after March 14, 1904, until February 1, 1905, and thereafter $18 per week for machine operators, $19 per week from March 14 to Feb. 1, 1905, and thereafter $20 per week.

The hours for labor for both hand and machine work remain as heretofore.

An arbitration provision was included in the contract, whereby disputes arising over terms of the contract will be adjusted without friction.

The Typothetae stated that the terms of the contract as to wages and hours are those offered the union on January 30 by the Boston Typothetae.

FOUND DEAD

WEALTHY MONEY LENDER WAS MURDERED.

NEW YORK, March 11—Abraham Newman, a wealthy money lender and diamond dealer, was found dead yesterday in his office on the Bowery. Robbery has been committed, but whether or not it followed murder is a question which the police have yet to solve. There were no marks of violence on the body and no signs of a struggle.

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ON THE ALLEYS

GRANT'S BAKERS DEFEATED THE THISTLES.

Grant's Bakers met the Thistles last evening on the bowling alleys and defeated them 1184 to 1150. McAdams had 100 for a single and Tait made the best three-string total. The score:

GRANT'S BAKERS.

	1	2	3	Total
John Grant	83	70	80	233
Billy Grant	63	81	76	220
J. Keith	73	77	92	242
Jim Grant	76	78	93	247
R. McKenzie	75	79	88	242
Total	370	385	429	1184

THISTLES.

	1	2	3	Total
D. Dobson	85	56	53	194
J. Tait	77	81	93	251
Scott	76	81	78	235
McAdams	75	74	100	249
Hindle	76	73	71	220
Total	389	368	393	1150

ORIENTS BEAT MOHAIRS.

By the close margin of three pins the Mohairs lost to the Orients in the Recreation league tournament on Les Miserables alleys last night. In the first string the Mohairs led by 37 pins, a margin which the Orients overcame by steady bowling in the last two strings:

The score:

ORIENTS.

	1	2	3	Total
Slavin	79	83	75	234
Galvin	79	79	80	238
Lang	87	105	89	281
Kerrigan	75	79	79	236
Kelly	65	85	106	256
Total	385	431	423	1239

MOHAIRS.

	1	2	3	Total
Southam	82	86	96	264
Rhodes	79	74	71	224
Whittaker	81	81	74	236
Sidebottom	91	87	86	264
Harriman	89	88	71	248
Totals	422	416	398	1236

JUDGE PLATT

SUSTAINS DEMURRERS OF EXECUTORS OF BROWN ESTATE.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 11—Judge Platt in the United States circuit court handed down a decision yesterday sustaining the demurrer filed by the defence in actions brought by the executors of the estates of John Nicholas Brown, late of Newport, R. I., and Walter A. Peck, late of Providence, against W. Frank Kinney, collector of internal revenue, to recover the amount of inheritance taxes already paid. Exception, however, is made in the decision in one instance, in which the tax on an item of $100,000 in the Brown estate is ordered to be returned. The total amount of the tax paid on the Brown estate was $29,791 87. A tax amounting to $2,679.57 was paid on the Peck estate. The payments were made under section 29 of the war revenue act of June 13, 1898.

LUMBER MILL BURNED.

WOLVERINE, Mich., March 11—The Haak Lumber Co.'s mill at Hankwood, a few miles from here, has been totally destroyed by fire. Loss $160,000; insurance, $100,000.

LIEUT. SHARPLEY DISMISSED.

WASHINGTON, March 11—First Lieut. Arthur G. Sharpley of the 12th cavalry having been found guilty of serious charges affecting his moral character, has been sentenced to dismissal from the army.

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Smoothes and softens the hands, and leaves a delicate floral fragrance that lasts for hours after its application.

It is Free from Oil,

Does Not Stain,

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that gloves can be put on directly after rubbing it on the hands. It has a

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Friday, Saturday

The Last Two Days of Our Last Season Suit Sale

WE have had a wonderful business, and shall wind up the sale this week. There are still splendid bargains left in each of the several lots, but you will have to come this week if you would profit by this opportunity.

$12.50 for Rogers-Peet's Last Spring Suits, and our own most expensive lots, with some heavy weights added. Sold for $25, $22, $20 and $18. All - - - - - - $12.50

$10 for Rogers-Peet's Last Spring Suits in young men's sizes, and with these, all of our own high grade suits; several lots of heavy weights, were $22, $20, $15. All now - - $10

$7.50 for Men's Last Spring Suits the entire balance of our stock, fancy mixtures and serges, and also several lots of heavy weights, sold for $14, $12, a few for $10—all $7.50

Young men's sizes $7.00

The Bargains in Boys' Suits

Are the Most Remarkable We Ever Advertised

These suits are all splendid styles and the medium weights are practically what you'll buy the last of this month, at double today's prices. The heavy weights, marked just as cheap, can be worn today.

What are Left Are Offered as Below:

Boys' All Wool Two Piece Suits

Double breast jacket with short trousers — these are nearly all light colored, and are in sizes 14 years to 16. These suits sold for $3, $4 and $5. All marked today to close for $1.00

Boys' Suits for $2.50

That sold for $4 and $5, strictly all wool, in blue and fancy serge Sailor Suits, and Sailor Norfolk suits, sizes 3 to 10 years. Boys' three-piece suits and Boys' Norfolk Suits, sizes 8 years to 16, spring weight and heavy weight suits of equal values —first prices $4 and $5—all now - - - - - $2.50

Boys' Finest Suits for $3.50

That sold for $6, $7 and $8. Handsome navy and fancy serge Sailor, Norfolk Sailor and Russian blouse suits, in sizes 3 to 10 years. Handsome dark colors in three-piece suits and Norfolk suits, in sizes 8 to 16 years—instead of $6, $7 or $8— your choice today from this collection - - - $3.50

FRENCH OFFICER

Accused of Trying to Sell Naval Secrets

PARIS, March 11.—In spite of official reticence and denials from the Japanese legation here, it is again affirmed that a non-commissioned officer named Martin, who was employed in the ministry of marine, and who is now under arrest, attempted to sell French naval secrets to a naval attache at the Japanese legation.

The discovery of this alleged attempt came as a result of the accidental opening of a letter addressed to the non-commissioned officer by a naval captain of the same name. This letter was from an intermediary, but it indicated the principals in the affair. It is alleged that several women are implicated, and that one of them has confessed. It appears now that only one document is missing from the ministry of marine, but it is possible that Martin photographed and replaced others. It is not likely that the information alleged to have been stolen got beyond the intermediary, and it is said that the Japanese naval attache who is supposed to have been in indirect communication with Martin sailed for home on board one of the cruisers which Japan purchased from Argentina.

Prince Itchijo, who succeeded the Japanese naval attache who returned home, has informed the Petit Journal that Martin wrote him four days after his arrival in Paris, proposing a meeting to communicate important business. The prince was indisposed and in reply wrote and asked Martin to state the nature of his business. Martin answered that he was unable to tell his business in a letter and fixed another time and place for a meeting. This appointment the prince kept, but Martin had by that time been arrested and therefore did not appear.

It is said that the documents accessible to Martin related to the possibility of joint naval action on the part of France and Russia.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

CONVENTION WILL HOLD FINAL MEETING SUNDAY.

The final meeting of the St. Patrick's day convention will be held Sunday afternoon at 2.30 in A. O. H. hall. At this meeting Chief Marshal O'Connell will announce the complete arrangements for the parade, including the formation, and will also designate the points at which the different divisions will assemble. The chief marshal hopes to be able to make arrangements with Chief Hosmer to have the fire bell struck once when the parade is ready to move. Marshal Boyle of the business men's cavalcade has also arranged to have a meeting of all interested in the success of the cavalcade in A. O. H. hall at 2.30 Sunday afternoon. The men who ride with the cavalcade will wear silk hats, dark coat and vest, white duck trousers, leggings, green sashes and gauntlets.

It is the desire of the chief marshal that business men along the route decorate their places of business on next Thursday.

A slight change has been made in the route of parade. Originally it was intended to have the parade move from Rogers to High street. Instead it will go from Rogers to Concord street, to Andover, to High street.

There will be also a change in the route in ward two so that instead of going the entire length of Suffolk street the parade will go up Broadway to Fletcher street and then along Thorndike street.

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REMODELED OFFICE.

George H. Rogers, the well known optician, at 145 Merrimack street, has had his place of business all remodeled, and the change is so complete that a person would hardly recognize the place, and with the change a great many improvements have been made for the benefit of his patrons and his convenience. With these modern improvements and his expert knowledge of the optical business, the public will have their wants attended to in the best possible manner. Mr. Rogers gives his personal attention to all examinations of the eyes and the fitting of the glasses.

JACK O'BRIEN WON.

ST. LOUIS, March 11—Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia was given the decision at the end of a 15-round battle with Mike Schreck of Cincinnati before the West End club last night.

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TURKISH TROPHIES

ALL TURKISH TOBACCO 10 for 10c. CIGARETTES

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NEW YORK

WILL RAISE $25,000

The Textile School Trustees Promise Outside Aid

At Hearing Asking Two Appropriations for Local Institution From the State—Much Said in Favor and Nothing Against the School

Two bills for money for the improvement and maintenance of the Lowell Textile school were given a hearing yesterday before the committee on education of the legislature at the State House, and the trustees and other friends of the school turned out in large numbers to favor the passage of the bills.

The hearing on the Lowell bills was one of several hearings, all relative to the Textile schools of the state set for yesterday by the committee.

Rep. Bennett of Saugus has a bill before the committee asking an investigation of the Lowell and other textile schools of the state and a postponed hearing was set for yesterday. When Mr. Bennett arrived at the committee room he requested that the hearing be postponed once more, until March 17 and then retired. His request was granted with the understanding that there would be no further postponements.

FALL RIVER SCHOOL.

The first hearing held was on the bill to grant $20,000 to the Fall River Textile school. The mayor of the city and others spoke. The school, which is in its infancy, has 163 evening pupils, but only three in the day classes. Last year the school had an appropriation of $18,000.

NEW BEDFORD SCHOOL.

The New Bedford Textile school asked for $18,000, and a hearing was then given on this bill.

Senator Bullock said that the New Bedford school was up to that of Lowell or any other place, and he said it had been maintained without any philanthropic aid.

Christopher P. Brooks, the first principal of the Lowell school, and now director of the New Bedford school, said there were 212 pupils, 24 of whom were day pupils. There is a force of 15 instructors, nine of whom serve only in the evening. The payroll is $13,000, the director receives $3000.

Isaac B. Tompkins, Jr., said that the attitude of the labor unions was friendly to the school.

LOWELL SCHOOL BILS.

The two bills relative to the Lowell Textile school were the last heard and that of Representative Hayes for the annual grant of $20,000 subject to an appropriation of $8000 by the city for the maintenance of the school.

Mr. Hayes stated that as the committee had thoroughly inspected the institution the day previous it was hardly necessary to go into the merits of the institution.

Frank E. Dunbar set forth the claims of the school in an eloquent manner and stated among other things that the best tribute to the school was the fact that the expense per capita has been reduced from $72 a year in 1898 to $51 at the present time.

William W. Crosby, principal of the school, read a list of graduates of the school who have been given responsible mill positions elsewhere. "The principal of the Fall River school is a graduate of our first class," he said.

THE SECOND BILL.

The bill calling for an appropriation of $37,406 to complete the equipment of the school and do grading and filling about the building was taken up.

Franklin W. Hobbs of Lawrence, one of the state trustees, said that the entire state was benefited by the school.

Frank E. Dunbar said: "The school has now reached the culmination of its originators' original conception. We have spent nearly $500,000 on the school and the state has appropriated only $120,000 of this. The officers of the school have more than kept faith with the commonwealth. We have received princely gifts from Mr. F. F. Ayer of New York and from the Kitson heirs. We hope to raise from private sources $25,000 for the equipment of the school and with this sum asked from the state we can complete the equipment of our new buildings. We are willing to amend this bill, making the grant conditional on the money that we propose to raise. Last year we kept faith in promising to raise $23,000 outside, for we secured $27,000."

A. G. Cumnock, chairman of the board of trustees, stated that the school had grown so fast as to almost take away the breath of the managers. "We are open to investigation by anybody," he said. "We have nearly 600 pupils, our salaries art not large, and our money has been the cleanest spent of any institution that we can show."

"Will the school ever be self-suporting?" asked a member.

"If the per capita cost of instruction keeps going down and our outside friends still aid us, it may," replied Mr. Cumnock.

James T. Smith, clerk of the board of trade, showed that the income in the state tax was not due to the Textile school appropriations, which had decreased last year. The trustees wanted $30,000 worth of new looms, but they had not included these in the schedule for equipment for they intended to secure them outside as they were required.

The following detailed estimate of the cost of the proposed equipment was submitted:

Cotton yarn department, $3496; woolen and worsted, $15,390; design and decorative art, $2760; chemistry, $4206; dyeing, $7738; weaving, $4223; engineering, $1215; Boilers, stokers and settings, $5500; finishing, $11,000; knitting, $2000; total, $57,583.

Thomas Walsh, Alvin S. Lyon and W. H. I. Hayes were the concluding speakers. Agent Lyon pleaded for the school as the opportunity for the children of the operatives. When asked which session of the school was the more important, he replied: "The evening school by all means. There are day pupils who will never amount to much."

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MATRIMONIAL

Mr. John Henry Whitlock, of Riverside, Cal., and Miss Mabelle Frances Gardner, of this city, were married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, 8 Hastings street.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Smith T. Ford, of the First Baptist church. The bridemaid was Miss Lillian Garland and the best man was Mr. Fred Hammond.

The bride wore a dress of hand embroidered China silk and carried bride roses, and the bridemaid wore white nun's veiling.

The happy couple were the recipients of many beautiful presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock will remain in this city until March 20, when they will leave for Riverside, Cal., near Pasadena, where they will take up their residence.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Large houses were in order at the matinee and evening performances of Vance & Sullivan's new sensational melodrama entitled "Lighthouse by the Sea," at the Academy of Music yesterday, almost every seat being taken at the two performances.

The play has a plot that is original with a moral that is pointed, climaxes that are thrillingly sensational and containing a comedy element that is clean and wholesome. Especially fine is the storm scene at night off "Devil's Rock" lighthouse, showing a ship in distress, and its rescue by a young girl making a perilous trip by walking a wire from a flagpole to the top of the lighthouse to restore the light which had been extinguished by the villain. This scene, which is in the third act, is quite thrilling. The story has a touch of sympathy that reaches the heart. The play is interspersed with sparkling comedy.

The climaxes are thrilling and the home like story as told during the action of the play appeals to everyone, young and old. "Caleb Gale," the old lighthouse keeper, was cleverly interpreted by Harry E. Bradey, while Jack Dunn as "Paul Clifford," a young coast pilot, a brave, young tar whose honesty and straightforwardness wins admiration of the former, made a decided hit in this character. Miss Della Clarke makes a pleasing "Flora," grand-daughter of "Caleb Gale," who comes under the latter's charge when a mere babe, and for whose welfare the old lighthouse keeper is ever on the alert. The character of "Joe Daggart," a young villager, was well taken by R. Barlow, while the other members of the company filled their respective parts in a manner which brought favorable comment upon them.

By the cancelling of the burlesque shows and the booking of good, up-to-date dramas the attendance at the Academy of Music has been growing larger and larger, the increase in attendance being apparent from day to day. The attendance of the ladies has increased wonderfully, and in fact more than half the audience at the different performances consists of ladies.

"The Lighthouse by the Sea" will be presented this afternoon and evening and tomorow afternoon and evening.

FIVE BOYS

QUINTET ARRIVES IN DAVID SWOPE'S FAMILY.

PITTSBURG, March 11.—David Swope, a workman on the Wabash bridge, yesterday was handed a message which read:

"Annie gave birth to five boys today. Come home at once."

Swope asked for his pay and said he was going right home to learn from Annie how she managed to break the Fulton county record. He said: "Annie might have given me a housekeeper, but to hand me five bridge workers is a pretty hard jolt."

He left for Fulton county, where his wife lives on a farm with her father.

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AS A LEADER

WE OFFER 25 DOZEN

Children's Corded Underwaists

Made of a strong Jean, with taped buttons and bound buttonholes at only 15c each, or two for 25c.

A superior quality of Corded Waists, sold everywhere for 25c, at 19c each.

Misses' Corset Waists that lace at the back, a 50c Waist for 39c.

The well-known "B. Z." Jersey Waists for Boys and Girls at 23c each.

Double Trading Stamps Saturday.

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THE BON MARCHE DRY GOODS COMPANY

DOUBLE GREEN TRADING STAMPS SATURDAY

Special Sale

Loom End Ribbons

Opened Yesterday Morning—The Saving a Third to a Half

Several times a year a large manufacturer sends us a shipment of LOOM END RIBBONS (short pieces running from one to six yards in length) for Special Sales—at least we use them for that purpose, but they could be put into stock and sold for regular prices. However, we prefer to give the public "a feast" of bargains once in a while, a share of our good fortune, so to speak, and yesterday morning ushered in one of these occasions. The assortments are thoroughly representative and contain all the wantable kinds demanded.

The saving is considerable as the following items will testify:

STYLES: Satin Gros Grains, Metallic Taffetas, Satin Liberties, Satin Taffetas, Plain Taffetas

Regular Price.	Sale Price.	Regular Price.	Sale Price.
6c Yard	3c Yard	15c to 17c Yard	9c Yard
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A BEAUTIFUL DOUBLE-FACED SATIN LIBERTY RIBBON—5 to 6 in. wide, which regularly sells for 45c a yard. In this sale ..... 25c YARD

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Six Trade Winners

In the Bargain Basement

SATSUMA PONGEE, 7½c Yard—A highly mercerized material, very soft and silky in finish, in fact at a short distance it could not be told from silk. Perhaps the patterns (copies of silk) lend to the deception, and the price is only seven and a half cents per yard.

FINE QUALITY DENIM, 12½c Yard—Suitable for carpeting, draperies, fancy work, etc.; all colors; 5 to 10 yd. pieces; full piece price 19c yd.

FINE WHITE GOODS, 10c Yard—Short lengths, excellent for dresses, waists, aprons, etc. Piece price 15c yard.

OLD FASHIONED SEERSUCKER, 12½c Yard—White and colors.

LINEN TABLE DAMASK, 25c Yard—64 in. wide, 1½ to 5 yd. pieces; on the piece 39c yard.

DANISH CLOTH, 12½c Yard—All colors. Just the thing for house dresses, etc. The price will certainly advance in a short time.

See the Special Photograph Offer

Echoes From the Special Notion Sale

MOURNING PINS—In boxes; regularly 2c box. 5 Boxes for 5c

BLACK AND COLORED PINS—Assorted sizes, on paper; regularly 5c paper. 2 Papers for 5c

HAT PINS—(6 on card), regularly 5c card. 3c Card

DARNING COTTON—(On cards), regularly 1c each. 5c for 12 Cards

HOOKS AND EYES—"The Smart Set," regularly 5c card. 3c Card

BALL AND SOCKET FASTENER—Regularly 10c card. 7c Card

TREASURE SAFETY PINS—Regularly 5c card. 3 Cards for 10c

PEARL BUTTONS—2 dozen on card. 5c Card

FOUNDATION COLLARS—Silk Chiffon, regularly 10c each. 2 for 15c

TAPE MEASURES—Regularly 1c each. 2 for 1c

NEEDLE BOOKS—Large size, 5c; Small size, 3c

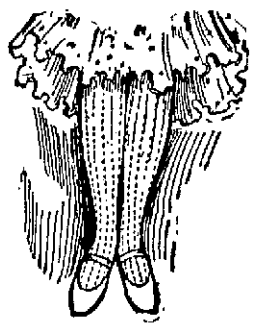
HOSE SUPPORTERS—Side and front effects, special lot, all colors. 10c Pair

LINEN FINISH THREAD—100 yd. spools. 3 Spools for 5c

BROOKS' 100 YARD MACHINE COTTON—Regularly 2c spool. 3 Spools for 5c

Save Twenty-five Cents

By purchasing 3 Pairs Women's Stockings



We put on sale yesterday morning 100 dozen of Women's Hose, made by the HOOPER KNITTING CO., this city. They are discontinuing business and are closing out floor stock at very low prices. We were very fortunate to secure this lot and as we bought them cheap, so we pass them on to our public, cheap.

They are fast Black, French feet, high spliced heels, double soles and double toes. The fabric is a fine quality Maco Cotton.

The price,

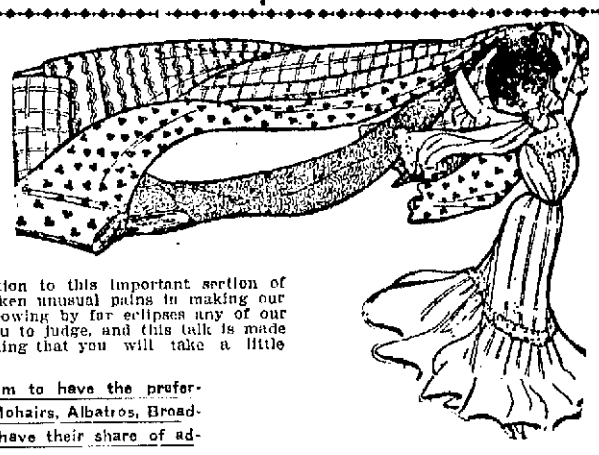
3 Pairs for 50c

The Hooper Knitting Co. made nothing cheaper than 25c grades. This lot is the best grade they made to sell for that price.

See Window Display.

A Splendid Showing of

New Spring Dress Goods



We take pleasure in calling your attention to this important section of our store, from the fact that we have taken unusual pains in making our selections this season and feel that our showing by far eclipses any of our previous efforts. However, this is for you to judge, and this talk is made with the hope that it may prove so interesting that you will take a little time and see what we really have done.

Voiles and Novelty Suitings seem to have the preference, although plain and fancy Mohairs, Albatros, Broadcloths, Venetians and Cheviots have their share of admirers.

We are showing a beautiful fabric suitable for evening or wedding gowns, a shimmery material called SILK SUBLIME, for $1.00 YARD.

We are also very strong on

49c NOVELTIES 69c VOILES 75c HAIRLINE MOHAIRS

The following five numbers have proven rapid sellers and no doubt the reason being the attractive prices.

36 IN. WHITE FIGURED MOHAIRS ..... 35c YARD

42 IN. FRENCH NUN'S VEILINGS ..... 69c YARD

Shown in the following colors: Champagne, Tan, Pearl Grey, Dark and Light Navy, White and Black.

44 IN. BRILLIANTINES ..... 39c YARD

24 IN. ALL SILK PONGEES ..... 49c YARD

27 IN. GUARANTEED BLACK TAFFETA SILK, 75c YARD

Echoes From the Special Jewelry Sale

BACK COMBS—Shell, Amber and White, worth 50c and 75c. 25c Each

STERLING SILVER INITIALS—Regularly 25c. 18c, 2 for 25c

BROOCH PINS—Regularly 25c. 10c Each

LEATHER TAM O'SHANTER PURSES—Metal top, regularly 50c. 25c Each

MISSES' CHATELAINE BAGS—Regularly 25c. 15c

WRIST BAGS—With furnishings; regularly $1.00. 50c Each

BELT BROOCHES—Black, grey and oxidized, regularly 25c. 8c

BROOCH PINS—Regularly 50c. 29c

LOCKETS—Fancy and plain, round, oval and heart shaped; regularly 50c. 25c

BLACK AND WHITE FEATHER Fans—To close 50c Each

Ranging in price from $1.00 to $4.00 each.

BELT SETS—Back and front buckles; black, silver, grey and oxidized; worth 25c. 10c Set

18 California Navel Oranges for SWEET AND JUICY 25C

A New Model

In American Lady Corsets

No. 480

A Corset made to fit the average medium and full figure. It gives a decided long waist effect, having as it does a long dip hip and medium high bust. It is boned with non-rusting steels, and the quality of material is a very fine Batiste. The trimming at top is Velenciennes lace 3 in. wide (something unusual in this grade Corset), which is run with two rows Bebe Ribbon.

The Price $1.00 Pair

Be sure and call for it by number.

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The new Breakfast Food, made from California White Wheat. Wholesome, delicious. Special demonstration in the basement, where we serve "Luck" with pure cream and sugar.

2 Packages for 25c

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In Shirt Waists

2763—LADIES' SHIRT WAIST. With Vest, Sizes, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42.

Two numbers, cream of the stock. The prices we quote you must bear in mind do not represent their true worth, not by any manner of means. They are simply specials, and when these lots are gone 'twill be hard telling if they can be duplicated.

No. 1 Is a Fine Linen Waist at 98c

The front is made with broad hemstitched tucks, tucked back, large sleeves, tucked cuffs and stock. They are actually worth and have sold for one dollar and fifty cents.

No. 2 Is a Union Linen Waist at $1.50

The front has a wide panel of real linen Mexican work in assorted patterns, on either side of which are three broad tucks; tucked back, large sleeves, 2½ in. cuffs and tab stock. These waists are worth two dollars.

Echoes From the Special Toilet Goods Sale

POWDER PUFFS—Regularly 10c. 5c Each

TALCUM POWDER—"Mennen's." 14c Box

TALCUM POWDER—"Eastman's," regularly 15c. 10c

WOODBURY'S SOAP—15c Cake

CAMPBELL'S ALMOND CREAM—25c size. 21c Bottle

HAIR ROLLS—Regularly 15c. 10c

TOOTH BRUSHES—A special lot, worth 15c and 17c. 10c Each

PETROLEUM—Camphorated, 2 oz. jar, regularly 5c. 2 for 5c

MUNYON'S WITCH HAZEL SOAP—Regularly 15c 8c Cake

TOOTH BRUSHES—Regularly 19c. 15c

FACE POWDER—"La Blanche." 31c Box

HOT WATER BOTTLES—2 qt. size, regularly 49c. 43c

A New Summer Fabric

That You Should See

Crepe Nouveaute

A dressy summer texture of crepy weave, enlivened with silky Bourette overwork in quaint combinations, and brought out in all fashionable colors of the season.

A costume fabric fully responsive to the taste of those who would be well dressed, but who own but a modest purse.

The Price 25c Yard

Shoe Department News

QUEEN QUALITY OXFORDS, $2.50 and $3.00 Pair—Many new patterns in Patent Kid, Vici Kid and Tan Calf.

COLUMBIA OXFORDS, $2.00 Pair—A dozen new styles in Vici Kid, heavy and light soles; an excellent value.

WOMEN'S LOW CUT RUBBERS, 25c Pair—Slightly damaged by water; worth 50c pair.

CHILDREN'S STORM RUBBERS, 23c Pair—Sizes 8 to 10½. A special lot; worth 35c pair.

Four Specials

In the Basement Section

CUSPIDORS, 10c—Fancy decorations, 15c to 25c values.

COOKING CROCKS, 10c—6 and 8 qt. sizes, 25c and 35c values.

CAMPHOR BALLS, 10c Box—Large box, Dusenbury's best.

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TREES OF LOWELL

What They are and What They Ought to be

Interesting Article by Supt. Whittet of Commons Department Suggested by Bill Now Before Legislature to Place Trees in Care of Park Commission

At the present time there is a bill n the legislature providing for the change of authority over the trees along the streets of Lowell from the street department to the park commission and undoubtedly it will become law, as the park commissioners are the proper ones to care for the trees.

With this bill in mind, Supt. Whittet of the commons department, who some time ago started to write a series of articles for the press on subjects pertaining to parks, trees, flowers, etc., takes as the subject for this month's article "The Streets and Trees of Our City; What They Are and What They Ought to be," and treats it in a very interesting manner.

Supt. Whittet writes as follows:

A lack of good management in the general treatment of the street trees of Lowell is the most obvious feature. The causes for this are very evident to anyone who thinks at all about the matter, and discussion of them may be dismissed in saying that it is the purpose of this article to try to point out the way to avoid such a state of affairs in the future, and to correct the existing conditions as far as possible.

The trees have been variously located along the traveled walk; in most cases, between the traveled walk and the curb. Others again, are on the adjoining land just inside the property line. The spacing is unsystematic and many stand too closely together, the necessary thinning having been neglected. Few trees, suitable for city streets, ought to be allowed to stand closer together than forty to fifty feet. On almost every street there is a lack of uniformity in the selection of the kinds. On most of the streets which have been planted there are long distances entirely without trees.

Nearly all have been badly neglected in the matter of pruning. Dead limbs are prevalent everywhere, and are not only unsightly, but are a menace to the health of the trees, and dangerous to passers by underneath by their liability to break off and inflict injury. It may not be feasible to give every large tree that pruning which it seems to demand, but the larger dead limbs certainly ought to be removed. In the case of the younger trees it is to be hoped that all dead limbs may be removed, and that such treatment will be kept up in the future.

No attempt has been made to combat the various insect pests of which there are a number. The worst of these, and the one most in evidence to the general public, is the elm leaf beetle. The most effective way to cope with it is by spraying. Besides the beetle there are the woolly maple bark louse, the fall web worm, the oak pruners, and other insects.

On the whole, the ideal location for a line of street trees is between the property line and the traveled walk. When planted between the traveled walk and the curb they are nearer the dangers which menace them from the street. Placed thus they are within the reach of horses, evidence of their destructive gnawing being altogether too common. The roots are nearer the influence of escaping gas, both illuminating and sewer, and large vital ones which may have extended into the roadway are liable to be cut off whenever the streets are dug up. On the other hand if placed between the traveled walk and the property line these dangers are pretty well eliminated, and there is the advantage that the roots can readily find their way into the adjoining land, and do not have to contend with the asphalt, macadam, or other unsuitable material which may be in the roadway. However, there are cases where on account of the existing layout, it will be impossible to plant trees elsewhere than between the curb and the traveled walk.

Almost any street in the city with trees in it, is an example of what the ideal street ought not to be in this regard. Nesmith street being a well-known thoroughfare may serve as an illustration, combining many features which ought to be remedied, if possible, or avoided in future work. There is no uniformity in the selection of the kinds of trees, taking the street as a whole; rock, red and sycamore maples, elms, European and American lindens, horse chestnuts, and other kinds occur in a heterogeneous mixture, and are variously located. The ideal selection would have been one kind for the entire street, or several kinds, each planted by itself. The distance between two intersecting streets, might, for instance, have been all elms, and between the next two streets European lindens. The pruning of the trees is like that of most of those elsewhere; that is, practically none has been done, and the trees contain a great deal of dead wood. Some of the rock maples have been severely butchered to let wires through their branches. Of late years the rock maples on the street, and on some of the side streets have been dying. Just what the cause is it is difficult to say. However, this fact is an argument in favor of the feeling now gaining ground among experts that the rock maple is unsuited to city conditions. The spacing is in some instances too close, and long stretches occur where there are no trees at all. A great many have been seriously injured on their trunks by the gnawing of horses.

NEAREST TO THE IDEAL.

No street in the city affords an example of the ideal. The nearest approach to this is, perhaps, Andover street, but this is one-sided, standing at the western end, and looking eastwardly the general effect is one of uniformity, the American elms predominating to such an extent that they seem on first inspection, to be the only kind. A closer inspection reveals an admixture of other trees, irregular spacing, and other defects.

The list of trees adapted to city conditions is a limited one. The ailantus is pre-eminently the tree which stands more adverse city conditions than any other. Smoke and gas do not seem to affect it, apparently no insects attack it, and it will live and grow in a dry location amid asphalt and other pavements. Although for beauty it is not of the first order, it ought, for the foregoing reasons, to be quite extensively used. Others similarly constituted are the European linden and the English elm, both of which are tougher in this respect than the American species. All things considered the best tree for the semi-urban and the suburban parts of a city, where it will have enough room, and where the soil is, at least, fairly good, is the American elm. Its advantages are a high but not too dense shade, the ease with which wires can be passed through its branches, its rapidity of growth, and the beautiful gothic way in which its limbs over-arch a street. Its disadvantages are its lateness in putting out its leaves, its habit of shedding them continuously from about the middle of the summer onward, its earliness in losing them altogether, and its liability to attack by the elm leaf beetle. Although the habitat of the American elm is a moist locality, it does well even if planted where the ground is somewhat dry, seemingly having the power to send its roots a great distance in quest of water. The English elm, however, in other cities adapts itself much better to unfavorable city conditions such as smoke and gas and excessive drainage of the soil. It also holds its leaves during a longer period. Its worst fault is its greater attractiveness for the elm leaf beetle than even the American elm. Nevertheless, it can be highly recommended as a street tree for this city, some other trees for the suburban portions of the city are red, scarlet, black, and pin oaks, horse chestnuts, hackberry, silver and red maples and black walnut. Of all the trees frequently planted the rock maple is probably the worst, although as a park tree it is one of the first merit.

SUPERINTENDANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

Without making recommendations in detail for the future treatment of the streets of Lowell as regards trees it may be well to draw attention to a few thoughts on the subject in order to give an idea as to what might be accomplished if this whole matter were systematically managed under one head.

Let Andover street serve as an example. Its length combined with its straightness makes it adapted to form a fine avenue of trees. It would be well if the comparatively few existing trees, which might interfere with the design of planting were removed, in order to secure that uniformity which is so desirable in city streets. The streets might be planted in sections with the different kinds. A tentative list might be, beginning at its westerly end and going easterly, ailantus, cottonwood, English elm, American elm, pin oak and red oak. On some of the narrower streets and on those streets on which the building line is near to or on the inside line of the sidewalk strip large trees are not feasible. In cases like this the practice followed in some European cities is suggested; namely, that of planting trees which would attain a large size if left to grow naturally, but which in this case are allowed to attain only a certain size and then are practically kept there by severe pruning. Trees so treated have a somewhat unnatural appearance, yet they are better than none at all, and their foliage affords a grateful shade and a pleasant rest for the eye. In regard to other streets it is only necessary to say that there are a great many where planting can be done, but has not been, which will some day need the attention of the tree planter.

A thorough and practical investigation has been made regarding the present system and conditions of the trees within the streets of our city, and has resulted in the gathering of a number of salient facts showing the existence of undesirable conditions and the pressing need of a more systematic and uniform management, and the need of better care and maintenance of the trees at present existing, all the trees standing within the limit of all highways of the city of Lowell, should be planted, maintained and controlled by the city authorities.

The Lowell One Price Clothing Co., 72 to 86 Merrimack street, gives Light Blue Discount Stamps. Ask for them.

FOUGHT IN PRIVATE

TWO ITALIANS WENT TWENTY-TWO ROUNDS.

BOSTON, March 11—There was a private prize fight in Charlestown last night, intended to be to a finish, but ended as a drawn battle by a stampede of the spectators after the fighters had walked through 22 rounds.

The principals were two Italians, named Capitalucco and Santusuoso. They had a disagreement some weeks ago and it was decided to settle the matter in the ring. So they went into training and each man put up a side bet. Some well-known sporting men were let in and asked to act as officials. The word was passed around last night that all was ready, and in pairs and trios the spectators went to a place that is located so near to the station house in City square, Charlestown, that a stone thrown in its direction would easily strike the place.

When between 75 and 80 had gathered in a little room, up one flight, a ring was formed with a few chairs and the men got ready. A Charlestown man was chosen referee. His advice to the fighters as to rules and for conduct of spectators was heeded during the first few rounds, but in the fifth and sixth rounds, when the men began to slam away at each other in good shape, words of encouragement were shouted to each of them by overzealous admirers.

Occasionally a noise outside caused the spectators to shift about uneasily and glance at the doors and windows. Several times there was danger of a stampede, but the coolness of the referee prevented it.

There was not much choice between the fighters and the battle went along evenly for 10, 15 rounds, then 20 rounds, for the agreement was that the men were to go to a finish.

Even after the men had battled an hour and a half it seemed as if they would be able to continue a dozen rounds more. However, what had been threatening ever since the mill began—a stampede—took place.

The men had finished the 22d round and were being looked after by their seconds when two-thirds of those present suddenly became convinced that the police were going to raid the place.

That was enough. There was a rush in several directions at once, and the middle of the room, which had been closely crowded a moment before, was suddenly cleared of all but the principals and a few others.

It was such a panic-stricken crowd that those who remained indoors expected every moment to see the police appear because of the racket made to get out. The referee saw it was no use to continue the fight then, and the two principals were told to dress and wash up. The battle was called a draw. The men agreed to meet again.

ATTEMPT TO KILL

Soldier Tried to Shoot Girl

WAS JEALOUS OF LILLIAN M. STRAIN

Exciting Affair Occurred in Roxbury

BOSTON, March 11.—Frantic with jealousy, John J. Cunningham, a private in the coast artillery, stationed at Fort Warren, last evening made a desperate attempt to shoot Miss Lillian M. Strain of 68 Magazine street, Roxbury.

Cunningham called at the store, 75 Norfolk avenue, where Miss Strain is employed and which is kept by Frank Lynch, shortly after 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and asked to see Miss Strain. He was told that his presence was undesirable, and after a few words left the store.

About 6 o'clock he again called and made a persistent effort to see her. Alarmed at his attitude, Miss Strain asked Mr. Lynch if she might go home. The request, which was granted, was heard by Cunningham, and he declared that he would accompany her to her home.

She appealed to her employer for protection, and Mr. Lynch ordered Cunningham to leave the store. In the dispute which followed between the men, Miss Strain slipped from the store, Cunningham saw her leave and followed her out on Norfolk avenue. Miss Strain fled into the hallway of a house on Gerard street, near the store, with Cunningham in pursuit. He had drawn a revolver from his pocket as he left the store, and the young woman caught sight of it as she ran from the house.

When Cunningham followed her into the entry, he stumbled on the threshold and fell toward the young woman, who was shrieking for help. He ordered her to keep quiet, and, rendered desperate by her position, Miss Strain seized the pistol with one hand, and with the other clung to Cunningham's left arm.

Meantime, her cries for assistance had been heard by Mr. Lynch and Mrs. McDougall, who lives in the house, and they both hurried to her aid. Mrs. McDougall was the first to reach the hallway, and she seized Cunningham in an effort to free the young woman. When Mr. Lynch arrived, the women were thoroughly exhausted by the struggle, and the soldier released Miss Strain and turned upon her employer.

Thrusting the revolver into his face, he commanded him to leave the hallway, but Lynch grappled with him, and in the confusion which followed Miss Strain ran out of the house and called to some men who were standing on the opposite side of the street for help.

A crowd of 50 persons had been attracted to the spot by the tumult, and someone ran to station 9, which is only a short distance away, and told Lieut. Perry. The lieutenant sent all the available men in the house to the scene, but before their arrival Cunningham made his escape.

From those in the neighborhood, patrolmen Keen, McCarthy and Sullivan learned that Cunningham had walked leisurely away in the direction of Hampden street.

The three officers searched the vicinity unsuccessfully for some time, but word was finally received that the man was again in the neighborhood of the store. After Miss Strain had gone home he came back. Mr. Lynch, too, had left, and only a clerk remained in the shop. Cunningham walked in and asked him where the washstand was, and after pointing it out the young man left and sought refuge in the stable.

After washing his hands, Cunningham walked down Norfolk avenue, and the officers were informed that he was near Howard street. They caught sight of him near Prescott street, but Cunningham broke into a run and led them a chase of several blocks before Patrolman McCarthy overhauled him at the corner of Hampden and Howard streets.

He was brought to the station house and locked up, charged with assault with attempt to kill. Before his arrest, however, he got rid of the revolver, and although a number of policemen searched hours, no trace of the weapon could be found.

Cunningham is well known to residents of the neighborhood, where his family has lived for many years. It is said that he had been attentive to Miss Strain before he left for the Philippines, four years ago, where he served in the 7th infantry. He enlisted in the coast artillery only a week ago.

Miss Strain suffered severely from the shock and her throat bore a number of scratches. M. Lynch, also, was roughly used in the scuffle in the hallway.

It is said by the police that Cunningham secured $2 at the fort, with which it is supposed he purchased the revolver.

AT PRIZE DRILL

COMPANY G OF THIS CITY WON HONORS.

A prize drill was held at Everett last night, and nine squads representing nine military companies, competed. The drill was one of the features of a ball conducted by Co. A, of the fifth regiment. Squads from Co. G, 6th regiment of Lowell; Co. B, of the 5th regiment; Co. E of the 6th, Co. A of the 5th, Co. D of the 9th, Co. H of the 5th, Co. L of the 6th, Co. C of the 5th and Co. C of the 8th competed. Company G of this city was the last company to fall, the judges deciding in favor of Co. A of Charlestown after a searching drill in manual of arms and the load and fire. Co. G was, however, given honorable mention. The men who represented Co. G of this city were: Corp. Charles Draper, the officer in command of the squad; Privates Francis Leclair, James Milotte, Bernard Judge, John Maguire, Milton Knowles, Forest Weeks, William Wyman and Edward Grenier.

BURNED TO DEATH

DOVER WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN HER HOME.

DOVER, N. H., March 11.—Mrs. Frank Mason, aged 80 years, was burned to death at her home on Central avenue last night. She had retired, when a lace curtain in her chamber became ignited from a lighted gas jet, the flames communicating to the bed. Mrs. Mason's body was found on the kitchen floor, where she had succumbed after making her way down stairs.

WENT TO BOSTON

Police Tracing Alleged Greek Murderer

WHITMAN, March 11—The police were notified last evening that Pantilas Calavritinas, alias Peter Collas, the Greek who is wanted in connection with the murder of Constantine Chipouras at Taunton, had been in town and that he took a train late Wednesday evening for Boston.

The delay in informing the police has given the man considerable of a start, but they hope to be able to locate him.

Wednesday evening, soon after 10 o'clock, a man answering his description was seen on the streets in East Whitman. He was acting strangely and attracted the attention of some of the railroad employes. He hung about the street in the vicinity of the Regal shoe factory for some time, and was then seen walking toward the station.

Not until last evening was it known that he bore any resemblance to the man wanted in Taunton.

Fred Douglas, night operator at the station, saw him Wednesday night and called the attention of conductor E. P. Lewis to him. Mr. Douglas did not at that time think that he was the man wanted in Taunton, but he simply thought that he was acting strangely and that he would bear watching.

He describes the man as about 6 feet in height and weighing about 170 pounds. He had a dark brown moustache, was of athletic build, and when he spoke seemed to take particular pains to disguise his voice. He had a dark overcoat, wore a soft black hat and dark trousers.

On the arrival of the 12 o'clock train last night it was learned from Conductor Lewis that the man left the train at South Braintree, and hung about the station there in the dark until the arrival of the Brockton train for Boston, which he boarded. That was the last that he saw of him.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Court St. Paul, C. O. F., met in regular session last night with a large number of members present and Chief Ranger George Labrie presiding. There were two initiations and four applications in order. This court, while one of the most recent organized, is in a flourishing condition and has a membership of 79.

Th eregular meeting of Eirene lodge, I. O. G. T., was held last night in Pilgrim hall and there were a number of notables of the organization present. The good of the order consisted of the following:

Piano solo by Miss Ivy Hands; reading, Miss Lizzie Huntley; violin solo, by Chief Templar Whiley F. Johnson; essay, "The Temperance Banner," E. S. Varney; piano solo, Miss Inez R. Turnbull; remarks, W. F. Johnson.

The formation of an Eirene lodge orchestra is among the things "to be."

A well attended meeting of Spindle City circle, Companions of the Forest, was held last night, three initiations were reported and five propositions were reported to the body. A committee was appointed to make arrangements for a series of pit parties for members an dfriends.

Bay State Colony, U. O. P. F., held its regular meeting last night, with a well filled hall and did considerable routine business. The next meeting March 24, will be public with an entertainment by the Mozart quartet. Supreme officers will be present.

Lowell lodge, Knights of Pythias, met in regular session last evening and made arrangements for a social and dance to be held at some future date. Grand Keeper of Records and Secretary Charles A. Cross were present and gave an interesting sketch of the order.

HALL DEDICATED

Columbia Council Held Gala Night

The new and beautifully equipped hall of Columbia council, No. 33, Order of the United American Mechanics, in Middle street, was formally dedicated last night. There were a great many out-of-town guests present, and more of the state officers were present than ever before in the history of the council. A fine program consisting of music and readings took place at appropriate intervals. Mrs. Maude McMillen read in a most acceptable manner and the Playano which was loaned by a local music store played different selections.

The dedication service of the state council of Massachusetts was used by the state councilor and the board of state officers. An address was given by ex-State Councilor Frank R. Hayden of Worcester and the topic was "The Principles of the Order."

After an informal and pleasant social fifteen minutes, the dedication came to an end. The officers and many of the members adjourned to Page's dining rooms where a banquet was in order.

The dedication committee which had charge of all arrangements was Russell Fox, chairman; L. E. Durrell, and C. D. Cobb.

GREAT DAMAGE

DONE BY WIND AND RAIN STORM.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 11.—The worst rain and wind storm in 13 years swept over this city and along the Pacific coast yesterday, doing much damage to shipping, railroads and frame buildings throughout the state. The storm extended from San Diego to Vancouver Island, and it is feared that many marine disasters have occurred along the coast. In this city this morning the barometer reacher 29.23, the lowest record, and the wind registered a velocity of 48 miles an hour, while at Sacramento a gale of 54 miles an hour prevailed. Telegraph and telephone wires were prostrated in every direction and for several hours this city was entirely cut off from the outside world. A train of passenger cars at the Alameda Mole, across the bay, from this city, was blown from the track. The train consisted of an engine, baggage car and three passenger coaches. All were blown over on their sides, but no one was injured. The steeple of St. Paul's church, one of the handsomest in this city, was snapped off and many buildings under construction were badly damaged. A seven-story brick building almost completed at the corner of Bush and Polk streets, was hopelessly wrecked. At the Cliff house, on the beach near the entrance to San Francisco bay, tremendous waves dashed against the rocky shore and sent masses of spray over the bath house, a steel frame building, fifty feet high. Numerous small craft on the bay were blown ashore and the damage to shipping in San Francisco bay will amount to many thousands of dollars. Reports from the interior show that the storm extended over practically the entire state. In the southern portion, where the season has been dry, the rain will greatly benefit crops of all kinds.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIABLE.

The regular monthly social of the young pupils of the Sunday school of the Kirk Street Congregational church was held last night. Games of various kinds were enjoyed during the evening, and light refreshments were served.

REINECKE DEFEATED.

RICHMOND, Va., March 11—M. J. Dwyer, champion lightweight wrestler, defeated Charles Reinecke, the Pittsburg champion, here last night.

Seasonable Articles at Unseasonable Prices for Women's Wear

Ladies' Mercerized Cheviot Shirt Waists, slightly soiled, at 58c, reduced from $1.50.

Ladies' Gingham and Madras Shirt Waists, stripes and polka dots, only 48c, a great value for the price.

Ladies' Fancy Mercerized Cheviot Shirt Waists, beautiful designs..... 98c

Ladies' Fancy Madras and Zephyr Cloth Shirt Waists, black and white stripes and fancy stripes..... 98c

Ladies' Beautiful Figured Mercerized Cheviots, made to sell at $2.00, only $1.25

Ladies' Japanese Silk Waists, trimmed with insertion and lace, plain with tucks $1.98

Ladies' French Corset Cover, with two rows of lace insertion and tucks 25c

Ladies' White Petticoats with lace insertion and tucks, ruffled, also plain hemstitched ruffles 98c

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We have left at present 5 Complete Dinner Sets, 10 Broken Assortments in Dinner Ware, 7 Broken Assortments in Tea Sets, 1000 Odd Plates and Cups and Saucers, 30 Fish, Game and Ice Cream Sets, 15 Toilet Sets of 10 and 12 pieces each, together with about 1000 pieces of Glass Ware, Bric-a-Brac and Fancy Lamps.

You may come here Today, Saturday or Monday and select from these assortments at less prices than you would willingly pay if the goods were to be sold at public auction.

FINE CUT GLASS

We have in our show cases this morning just 30 pieces of High Grade Cut Glass, consisting of Berry or Rose Bowls, Decanters, Olive Dishes, Sugar and Cream Sets, Bon Bon Dishes, Nut Bowls, etc.

These must be forced out at once at less than half their regular value. The best picking you have ever seen may be found here until Monday Night.

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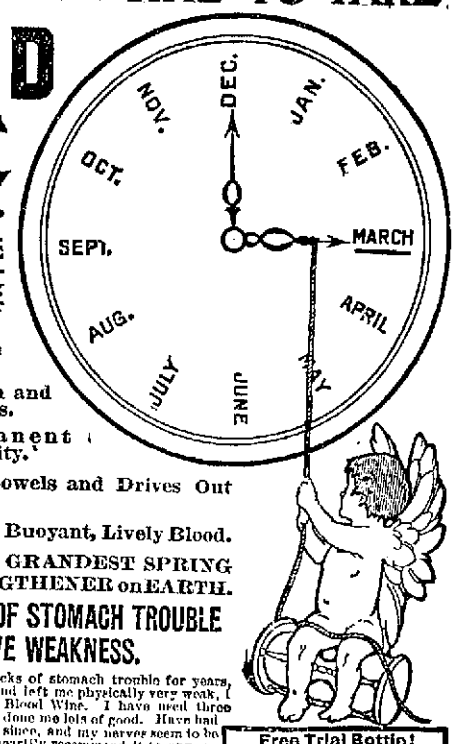

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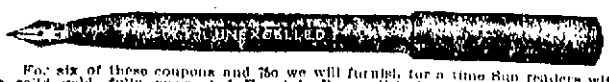

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GERMAN EDITOR

Discusses United States' Position

BERLIN, March 11—Wm. Grunow, editor of Die Grenzboten of Leipsic, in analyzing the play of international interests in the far east, says that the late Field Marshal Von Waldersee, after his return from China, often talked with his close friends on the certainty that the United States would have a leading role there. His solicitude for the future interests of Germany was also connected with the United States' position in far eastern affairs.

Herr Grunow does not say where Von Waldersee's utterances end and the editor's begin, but the article continues:

"The United States' attitude towards Japan is understandable because of her commercial relations with Japan and by reason of her aspiration to the hegemony of the Pacific. If the United States should maintain her claims to predominance in the Pacific she must reckon with Japan, either as a friend or an enemy. For the moment the United States' interests require friendly relations with Japan, taking into consideration the limited strength of the American navy and the existence of the British-Japanese alliance. For the time this alliance will check American hegemony on the Asiatic side of the Pacific."

The editor regards an American-British-Japanese alliance as a possibility.

THE COX CHARGES

WILL HE HEARD BY TRUSTEES TODAY.

BOSTON, March 11.—Mayor Collins has called a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Pauper Institute to be held in his office today at 11 o'clock.

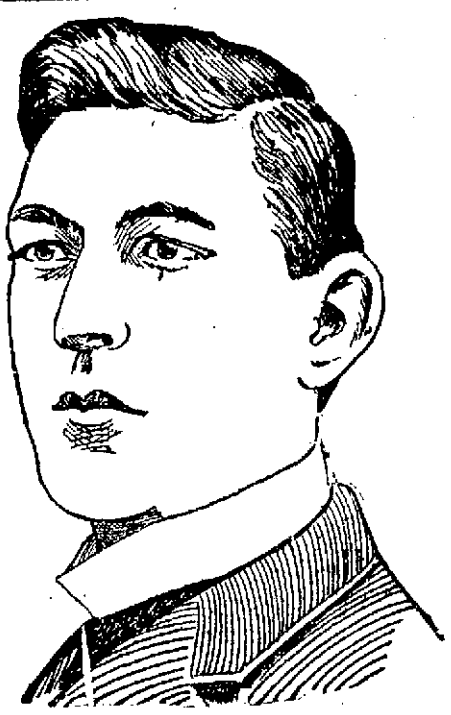
All sorts of rumors were flying around City hall yesterday as to the significance of this action on the part of the mayor.

It was reported yesterday that the mayor had something up his sleeve; that the trustees had incurred his displeasure in not following out certain suggestions which he made some time ago regarding the financial management of the institutions.

The board up to the present time has gone almost to the limit in the matter of expenditure of money this year. Under the law the trustees are allowed to incur debts to the extent of one-third of last year's appropriation. This amounted to $160,000 last year and one-third would be $53,000. Already it is said that of this amount $42,000 has been expended and the trustees will be obliged to wait more than a month for this year's appropriation. By this figuring it is claimed by some of the trustees that the two-thirds of the appropriation of this year will be expended long before the year is out, leaving the institution to meet a large deficit.

Mayor Collins is reported to be very much displeased with the many troubles that have arisen over the conduct of the Long Island institution, and the law is likely to be laid down to the trustees today, having for its object a reform in the management of the institution.

Directly after the session with the Mayor, the trustees will give a hearing to Dr. Cox, acting superintendent at Long Island, on the complaint made by the six waiters who were ordered off the island by him on Tuesday evening for alleged insubordination.



ALDERMAN JAMES F. MISKELLA, AUTHOR OF THE BILL.

CONDUIT BILL

Hearing Held at State House

Alderman Miskella's conduit bill was taken up by the committee on mercantile affairs at the state house yesterday.

At the same time a general bill, accompanying the petition of David A. Munroe, authorizing the city of Chelsea, or any other city of less than 200,000 inhabitants which might accept the provisions of the act to construct such conduits, was also taken up.

John J. Hogan, Esq., represented the city of Lowell as his brother, City Solicitor Hogan, is confined to his home by illness. He referred to the many fatalities in large cities caused by overhead wires, and stated that there is no question that they are dangerous. He argued that the cities have no power to do anything with the companies, and the result is a perfect network of wires in the business districts and an objectionable and dangerous number in the outlying districts. The city of Lowell had passed orders compelling the companies to put their wires underground, but there was much doubt as to whether or not the city had any real power to enforce such a demand. Some of the companies had complied with it in part, but this was more to prevent an appeal being made to the legislature for more power in such matters than because the city has any real rights under the present law.

In Lowell there are four companies, all of which will want conduits of their own, said Mr. Hogan. This would result in a chaotic condition of affairs and the streets would be constantly torn up for the purpose of repairing broken wires or cables. The argument that cities should not go into a business enterprise of this sort was put up years ago against allowing cities to supply water to their inhabitants, but the theory was exploded at that time. Some conduits have been constructed in Lowell, but the overhead wires are still a nuisance. The general bill introduced by Chelsea parties would be satisfactory to Lowell. There was nothing in either bill to compel the companies to give up those conduits which they have already constructed.

Alderman Miskella told the committee that the people of Lowell have arrived at that point where they are opposed to granting any more pole locations. He dwelt on the proposition that a franchise is a valuable asset. He believed that conditions in the city of Lowell warrant the passage of this conduit bill.

James F. McElholm, wire inspector, also favored the petition.

Everett W. Burdett, representing the Massachusetts Electric Lighting association, opposed the petition.

SHERIFF ATTACKED

WHILE SERVING PAPERS ON MILLIONAIRE BREWER.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., March 11.—The divorce case of Annie G. Hand against her husband, Michael Hand, Jr., the millionaire brewer of this city, is to be resumed. A sensational development in the case occurred shortly before 6 o'clock last evening, when Deputy Sheriff Daniel L. McGinn proceeded to the Hand residence on Mendon avenue to serve the citation, which was issued yesterday by Judge Tillinghast in the supreme court. Special Policeman McEwan accompanied McGinn, as it was anticipated that there might be some trouble.

This anticipation proved well founded. Blows were struck by both men. Deputy Sheriff McGinn claims that Mr. Hand was the aggressor, in the mix-up which occurred. When McGinn approached Mr. Hand the latter, who is well acquainted with the sheriff through past experiences in connection with the case, advanced to meet him, and, using an oath, said: "What, you here again?" McGinn says that as he started to read the summons Hand attempted to rough it with him, but an upper cut to the jaw pinned the defendant against the fence in front of the house. The reading of the writ was accomplished with much difficulty, and after finishing the sheriff thrust a copy of the citation into the hand of Mr. Hand. The special officer stepped in at the right time to prevent any further trouble.

The charges set up by Mrs. Hand in her latest petition for separation from her husband are continued drunkenness and cruelty, the same as when the case was on trial before in the supreme court. She also applies for the custody of her four children. Her petition for an injunction restraining Mr. Hand from disposing of stock to the amount of $200,000 was also granted by Judge Tillinghast. The hearing is set for Saturday morning in the supreme court.

FINE SCORES

MADE BY LIEUT. "BILLY" GANNON.

Lieut. W. C. Gannon, the crack rifle shot of the 4th regiment, N. G. N. G., whose home is in this city, paid a visit last week to the range of the 9th regiment in New York, at the invitation of Dr. W. C. Hudson, surgeon of the latter regiment, who also is an expert marksman. The lieutenant shot fifty shots off hand for a record with the following results:—

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247 out of 250.

Lieut. Sheppard and many other prominent local marods were present at the exhibition at which telescopes were levelled on every shot to determine the accuracy of the shot.

Distance, 100 yards, on reduced U. S. army target.

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY

OBSERVED BY LOCAL STATIONARY FIREMEN'S UNION.

The members of the local Stationary Firemen's union observed the seventh anniversary of the union with a jolly time in Bay State hall, last evening. A business meeting preceded the festivities. Refreshments were served, speeches were made by John Barrett, Frederick Knight, and a sketch of the order given by Hugh J. Gallagher and songs were sung by Hugh Roach and others. The local union organized March 4, 1898 with 175 members. The union offered its services in the Spanish-American war and although the offer was graciously set aside several of the members volunteered and two died in the service, Michael Conroy, who was with Capt. Wainwright on the Gloucester, and Charles Williams, who served under Funston when the latter captured Aguinalde. Williams contracted malarial fever in Manila and died soon after.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

TUXO CLUB

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

A well attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Tuxo club, Lowell, No. 192, was held last night, in its rooms in the Associate building, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, William H. Grady; vice-president, Ed. Stiles; secretary, F. A. M. Tobin; treasurer and collector general, Eben Stafford.

A committee on arrangements, which had been previously appointed upon the proper observance of Patriot's day, made a very unique report in which they outlined a most elaborate program for the entertainment, enjoyment and edification of the members and their numerous friends.

FUNERALS

KENDALL—The funeral of Augusta V. Kendall was attended by many relatives and friends at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. W. Allen, No. 47 Hadley street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. Louis Dexter read appropriate selections of Scripture and offered prayer. The body was placed in the tomb at the Edson cemetery. The bearers were Henry and William Cheever, Henry Flarell and Fred Feltch. Undertaker Eks had charge of the arrangements.

BUSSIERE—The funeral of Mrs. Frederic Bussiere took place yesterday from her residence, 5 Tache place, Tucker street, and the funeral services were held at St. Joseph's church. Rev. Fr. Brullard, O. M. I. officiated. The bearers were Joseph Delisle, Japhet Ferland, Gilbert Ferland and Arthur Lavoie. The body was entombed at St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

HANCHETT—Mrs. Mary H. Hanchett, widow of Joshua Hanchett, passed away after a lingering illness at her residence, 89 Dover street, last evening, at the age of 63 years.

Mrs. Hanchett was born in Dracut, being the daughter of Obediah and Hannah Richardson.

The deceased leaves to mourn her loss three children, Charles Hanchett, Frank Hanchett and Mrs. Fred C. Church, all of this city; also two brothers, George and Munroe Richardson of Wisconsin.

DEATHS

MALONEY—Mrs. Nellie W. Maloney, wife of Patrick Maloney, died at the Lowell hospital last evening, aged 26 years. Besides her husband she leaves two children, a brother and sister in Ireland and four sisters in this country, Mrs. Martin Gardner and Mrs. Martin Pendergast of this city, Mrs. Lawrence Quinn of Lynn and Mrs. Mary Carpenter of Woburn. Undertaker O'Donnell removed the body to the home, 31 Franklin court.

HOWARD—Frank Howard died Wednesday at 358 Lowell street, Lawrence, Mass. The body was sent to this city. Mr. Howard leaves a wife, Mrs. Frank Howard, a sister, Mary K. Howard of Boston, two brothers, John of Winchester, Mass., and Everett of this city.

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PERSONALS

Mr. Edward J. Francis, a former Lowell boy, now a civil engineer employed by Uncle Sam surveying and gauging the Mississippi river, was a guest of honor at the Mardi Gras carnival at Natchez, Miss.

SPECIAL FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!

5 for 1 Trading Stamps 5 for 1

on Iron Beds, Parlor Tables and Hallstands. Compare our prices with the lowest and figure how many stamps you gain in your bargain.

W. F. DEVLIN 201 GORHAM STREET OPP. UNION ST.

FURNITURE, CARPETS, RANGES

Special at Keyes' Auction

SATURDAY AT 11 O'CLOCK

Three very good, all-round business horses. One brown horse, weighing 1250 lbs., a good worker and good driver for a large horse; brown mare, weighing 1200 lbs., extra good worker either single or double; black horse, weighing 1200 lbs., will make a right good business horse for some one.

The above three horses have been used right here in the city all winter.

Come and see us at ADAMS'

CHIFFONIER

For $4.98.

This price is for tomorrow, and we give 3 stamps for 1 on every one sold. A large, roomy case, containing five drawers. Well constructed, of seasoned ash wood in the golden oak color. Every housekeeper will tell you that the chiffonier is a very convenient piece of furniture.

ADAMS & CO.,
Furniture, Rugs, Carpets,
174 Central St.

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BIG CUT IN PRICES --- LAST CALL

For smart money savers now is the best chance for you to secure a great bargain. We must make room for new spring goods, besides we need the money very much you know! Little money will buy a good respectable garment for next winter and this is the only and best way to save money, as many ladies bought the same garments in the beginning of the season for more than twice as much and will wear them the next winter too, so this is your last opportunity. Don't miss this sale. THIS IS NO BLUFF SALE.

Skirts that were marked down after Christmas:
From $15 to $12, last call..... $6.50
From $10 to $8, last call..... $4.50
From $5 to $4, last call..... $2.50
From $4 to $3, last call..... $1.98

Peau de Sole and Taffeta Silk Waists were marked down after Christmas:
From $7 to $4, last call..... $1.98

Woolen Waists:
From $3 to $2, last call..... $1.00
All others..... $15.75

Jackets that were marked down after Christmas:
From $25 to $18, last call..... $10.00
From $18 to $12, last call..... $7.00
From $12 to $8, last call..... $5.00
From $9 to $6, last call..... $3.50

Suits that were marked down after Christmas:
From $18 to $14, last call..... $7.00
From $15 to $9, last call..... $5.50

Many other bargains too numerous to mention. Capes almost given away.

The RELIABLE, Cooper's Cloak and Suit Store, 320 Merrimack Street, Near Merrimac House

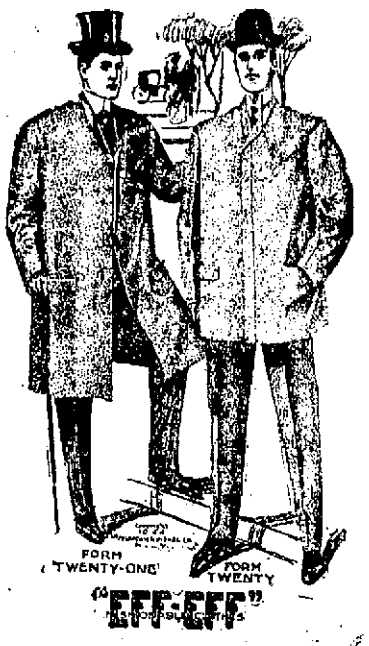
Spring Things Ready AT THE MERRIMACK

THE new Top Coats, Rain Coats, Suits, Hats, Shirts and Neckwear are ready for the man who wants an early choice.

The strong early showing is another evidence of Merrimack progression — the completeness in all departments—stocks of wearables for men carefully selected, long enough ahead to get good choosing — ready for you when you want them and early enough to insure a good choosing for you.

Merrimack supremacy is shown in the smart and snappy suits and top coats—in the exclusive fabrics—in the careful Jour tailoring, improving each season—features associated with the Merrimack—but more noticeable this spring season of 1904.

We invite your inspection and criticism of the spring styles.



Top Coats, Light Overcoats, Rain Coats

Short, medium, long—which will it be?

Each is correct and each has its advantages. The Top Coat is smart in appearance, and is a handy coat to walk in—no skirts flopping about your legs.

It is 32 inches long and comes in Covert cloths of tan, olive and oxford—also plain black.

The Spring Overcoat is 40 inches long, and made to wear over dress clothes. It comes in plain black and oxford mixtures—plain or silk lined.

The Rain Coat is 52 inches long, and is an all round garment—it looks well in fine weather and protects you when it rains.

Rain coats come largely in fancy mixtures—from the very neat effects to the lively overplaids—also plain black and oxford mixtures.

It's a handy garment for the traveler—it's ready for any change in the weather. Each kind starts at $10.00 and goes as high as $25.00.

The hand finish begins in the $15.00 range. We invite your inspection.

Flat Brims

It must be a flat brim whether a derby or a soft hat—Fashion has decreed so.

The college boys wore them the last part of last season, and the makers took their cue from them for spring.

Of course many won't have the flat brims—we've staple shapes for them.

But the flat brim is the thing in hats—and you'll find the Merrimack hat stock in close touch with the fashion makers.

Have you seen the Yorick? It's the leading $3.00 derby—it has plenty of style, not extreme, and the quality makes the $5.00 hat man feel sick.

Then the Merrimack at $2.00—it's remarkable how we keep up the standard, considering the greater cost of everything going into a hat—but we do, and that's what concerns you.

Several new Golf shapes received yesterday—flat brims again—and wide—the kind the young fellows like. Don't wait [illegible]—buy the spring hat this week.

The Merrimack Clothing Company ACROSS FROM CITY HALL...

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.45	6.50	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.30	7.26
a6.30	7.30	7.35	8.55
a6.42	7.53	8.25	9.01
a7.01	8.03	e9.00	9.37
a7.21	8.10	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.20	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.03	12.66
9.40	10.40	e1.03	1.37
11.00	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.45	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.50	4.14	5.30
a1.58	2.30	e5.00	5.37
a3.03	4.20	5.38	6.25
e3.47	4.30	a5.47	6.54
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
e5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.05
a6.23	7.05	10.30	11.34
a7.25	8.10	11.20	12.22

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.30	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.32
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.35	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.50	5.50
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.06	6.43	9.30	10.40
6.15	7.15	B11.15	12.16
7.40	8.40		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.27
5.30	6.56		
8.00	9.05		

Trains by western division leave Lowell from Middlesex St. Station.

a Via Bedford.

e Express.

s From Middlesex Street Station only.

B Runs to Lowell Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
s6.30	7.30	9.00	10.00
s7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
s9.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
s4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
s5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

LOCAL NEWS

Tickets—F. A. M. Tobin's Printery.

T. A. D. Sullivan, wholesale grocer, Lawler Printing Co., 29 Prescott St.

Secure your saddle horses at O'Donnell's stables for St. Patrick's day.

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Rev. Charles G. Day, D. D., president of Andover Theological seminary, will preach at the Highland Congregational church this evening in the Lenten scheme of exchanges.

Mr. Elias Mooney and Mrs. Nancy Clark, who were married last Tuesday, were given a reception by their friends and presented valuable tokens of esteem. Mr. and Mrs. Mooney are spending their honeymoon in Boston. They will reside on Tyler street, where they will be at home to their friends after April 9.

For the first time in many years we are to have a parade on St. Patrick's day, and everybody should celebrate by decorating their houses and places of business. C. H. Young, the decorator, is prepared to receive orders and in order to do the work you must place your orders at once with him. Telephone call 635-12, or send postal to C. H. Kimball's, 119 Central street.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Dr. D. L. Washburn, dentist, desires to announce the opening of his new office, rooms 1, 2, 3, in the Mansur building, No. 97 Central street, over Brazer's. Hours, 9 to 12 and 2 to 5. Evenings by appointment. Telephone 936-12.

EARLY MORNING FIRES.

A telephone alarm at 6.15 o'clock this morning summoned a portion of the fire department to a lively blaze on the roof of a house belonging to J. Purcell, in First street, near the corner of Read street. The fire was caused by a spark from a chimney on another house setting fire to the shingles.

At five minutes past nine this morning a still alarm summoned a portion of the Fletcher street engine company to a chimney fire in a house belonging to W. W. Richardson in Willie street.

WHIST PARTY

WANNALANCIT CLUB ENTERTAINED BY MR. AND MRS. D. S. O'BRIEN.

The Wannalancit Whist club held its seventh meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. O'Brien, 15 Marsh street, Wednesday evening, and as on former occasions the evening was most thoroughly enjoyed. Four tables at progressive whist were arranged and the game was enjoyed from 8 until 10 o'clock. During the progress of whist Mrs. D. J. Devine presided at the piano. At the conclusion of whist the prizes were awarded to Mrs. E. F. Slattery, winning the lady's prize, and Mr. M. H. Reidy the gentleman's, the consolation prize going to Mr. T. F. Maguire. The party then repaired to the dining-room where a palatable repast was prepared by the hostess. After partaking of the good things provided, other diversions were taken up, such as music, readings and merry making during which piano selections were rendered by Mrs. Devine and Miss Julia Slattery, and vocal selections by Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Slattery and Mr. Peter A. Cline and a grand chorus by the members of the club. Mr. Cline rendered several character sketches which added much to the enjoyment of the evening's entertainment. The party which was one of the most successful of the season wound up at midnight.

ANOTHER DEBATE

STEVENS SOCIETY RECEIVES A CHALLENGE.

At the regular meeting of the Solon W. Stevens Debating club last evening, Harold Caverley gave a talk on "Personalities in the U. S. Senate."

A challenge for a debate was received from a society of the Grace Universalist church and in all probability it will be accepted. Two new members were admitted.

ALL THE MAGAZINES

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HARRIS, 10 APPLETON STREET

CLUB PASSE TEMPS

DEFEATED HAVERHILL RIVALS LAST EVENING.

The Club Passe Temps defeated its Haverhill rivals at whist last evening by a score of 429 to 411. The game took place in Vincent hall.

HARVARD PROFESSOR

WANTS TO SEE RUSSIA BADLY BEATEN.

BOSTON, March 11.—Professor Leo Wiener of the department of Slavic languages at Harvard university, and a native of Russia, in the course of an address before the Victorian club at the Hotel Nottingham last night, said:

"I do not wish to see Russia win in this present contest; I would much rather see her badly whipped, for the sake of the reactionary effect it would have on the home country affairs. We do not know what Japan would do, but we do know exactly what Russia would do."

Continuing, Professor Weiner said: "Russia can not possibly provision 15,000 soldiers in the field for very long. Russia is not going to fight any great battles, I think. She may try to wear Japan out but she can't get enough soldiers on the ground. Russia will probably retire to the interior and try to starve Japan out."

Replying to a question regarding the chances of a Russian revolution, Prof. Weiner said:

"It is a question if there is now such an element strong enough. If there should be a revolution it would be the bloodiest the world has ever seen, for while the Russian is meek, simple and kind on one side, he is savage and brutal on the other, and there would be plenty of burning and killing."

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

COMPLETES ARRANGEMENTS FOR RECEPTION OF THE IRISH DELEGATE.

The executive committee of the United Irish League met last night and heard reports on the arrangements for the home rule demonstration at Huntington hall next Sunday night. Everything points to a rousing reception to the Irish delegate, Conor O'Kelly, M. P.

A feature of the meeting, particularly interesting to the older Irish residents, will be the singing of Irish airs in the Gaelic tongue by Miss Ellen A. McLaughlin, an eminent vocalist of Boston. Mr. O'Kelly will arrive in Lowell at 6 o'clock and will reach Huntington hall at 7.45, so that he can shake hands with his friends from Mayo, Roscommon and other parts of Ireland before the meeting.

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CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. Fr. Lewis, O. M. I., has returned to this city after a three weeks' missionary tour in Dodgeville and Attleboro, Mass. After a week's rest he will go to Plattsburg, N. Y., on another mission.

Rev. Fr. Jacques of St. Louis' church is confined to his house with the grip.

Yesterday was mid-Lent and a day of festivities among the French people.

Laval university of Quebec, has founded a dental school at Montreal and Dr. Joseph Nolin, brother of Rev. Fr. Nolin, O. M. I., of this city, has been appointed vice-president and registrar of the new school.

The new Court St. Paul, 1436, C. O. F., met last evening and received 14 applications. Two were initiated and one balloted upon.

The Cercle St. Jean L'Aumonier held a special meeting last evening to elect officers for the ensuing six months, the election giving the following results: President, Miss Annie Dumas; vice president, Miss Rose Anna Ruette; treasurer, Miss Elzire Landry; recording secretary, Miss Marie Desauniers; corresponding secretary, Miss Bernadette Perron; auditors, Miss Adrienne Desrosiers, Miss Minnie Leblanc.

Miss Mabel Grover has accepted a position as stenographer with the J. C. Ayer Co.

WRESTLING NOTES

Owing to a dispute between Billy Ladue and James Prokos, the wrestlers who are to meet in Huntington hall tonight, the bout will not be referred by Hon. E. T. O'Sullivan of Lawrence, as announced, but in all probability by Tom Scully of this city. It appears that Dick Casey was the original choice, but on account of the fact that Cullery and Rogers, two pupils of Casey, were training Prokos with a guarantee that they could show him how to defeat Ladue, the latter objected to Casey.

Then the management announced that "Slander" Sullivan of Lawrence would referee. This was met with opposition by the Greek, who claimed that he had not been consulted relative to the choice of Mr. O'Sullivan, and who asked for a man unknown to both. At last accounts Tom Scully appeared to have the call. Larry Thyne, the ancient historian, will hold the watch. With a Frenchman and a Greek contesting and an Irishman for referee there certainly ought to be a chance for all nations to enthuse.

Charlie Reinecke, who recently wrestled in Lowell and who is a brother-in-law of Harvey Parker, tackled Charles Leonhardt of Newark the other night in a match at Orange, N. J., armory. The Worcester wrestler lost because of inability to hold off Leonhardt at the catch-as-catch-can style of wrestling. Reinecke won at catch-as-catch-can style in 18 minutes and 40 seconds, but the next two bouts at Graeco-Roman were taken by Leonhardt in 6 minutes and 20 seconds and 9 minutes and 30 seconds. The men will come together in a straight catch-as-catch-can match on March 21, at which no holds will be barred. Reinecke looks upon this as a strong point in his favor and he will make a play to topple over Leonhardt.

MRS. E. TURNER

Superfluous Hair and Moles removed, also Facial Massaging. 64 Central St., rm. 5

THE LATEST WAR NEWS

A dispatch from Japan says: The Japanese goods are liable to be higher at any moment, so don't miss this opportunity. It is a chance of a lifetime. We are having a clearance sale of all Japanese and eastern art work. We give you 25 to 35 per cent. discount on all goods. Come in and examine our prices. The only sale of its kind ever offered in Lowell. THE ORIENTAL BAZAAR, 318 Merrimack street.

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Worth $4.00 and $5.00

LOT 2. Choice - - - - - $2.90
Worth $6.00 and $7.00

LOT 3. Choice - - - - - $^.90
Worth $9.00 and $10.00

New Waists

WAISTS AND PRICES TO SUIT EVERYBODY

SPECIAL LOT—To close out. Choice 98c
Some were $3.00

New Suits

SEE the special Light Mixtures at $10.75

SEE the special Eton Suits, nicely tailored, Black, Blue and Brown, at - $10.98

SEE our Misses' Eton Suits, Light Mixtures at $9.75

SEE our Misses' Suits, half tight fitting, Light Mixtures, Special at $10.98

SEE OUR COMPLETE LINE OF NEW SPRING SUITS, PRICES, $9.75, $10.75, $10.98, $12.98, $14.75, $15.75, $16.75, $18.75, $19.75, UP TO $42.50.

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SEE OUR COMPLETE LINE OF JACKETS. ALL STYLES

GET OUR PRICES BEFORE BUYING

We Control Stores in Providence, Fall River, Brockton and New Bedford.

The Oldest Established Cloak House in Lowell. Under New Management.

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Double Green or Blue Stamps Saturday — 2 Instead of 1 — Double Green or Blue Stamps Saturday

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We Are Also Closing Out Our Rubber Goods Below Cost

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Over 200 Cases Ladies' 50c Storm Cut or Croquet Rubbers in all widths and good wide toes. We can fit any shoe. All sizes, 2 1-2 to 8 - - - - - - - - - Sale Price 29c pr

Misses' Storm or Low Cut Rubbers, all sizes. Sale Price 25c pr

Men's Storm Cut or Self Acting Rubbers, All Sizes and up to date Toes. Sale Price - - 49c pr

Men's $2.50 and $3.00 Heavy Box Calf Leather Lined or Duck Lined Shoes (Goodyear Welt) Every Pair Warranted. Sale Price $1.98 pr

Ladies' $1.50 Heavy Sole, Solid Leather, pat. tip Shoes Sale Price 98c pr

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Talbot's Latest Special

A $10.00 Suit for $7.75

"The Black Sheep Suit" is made in our own work rooms, from strictly all wool, fast black cheviot. It is strongly made, well trimmed, cut on the latest patterns—in fabric, fit and finish, it is equal and in many cases superior to black suits sold as extra value at $10. You can buy *"The Black Sheep Suit"* of us in both double and single breasted styles, in all sizes from 34 to 44, while they last, at - - - - $7.75

Rain Coat Special

$12 and $15 Rain Coats $9.75

We offer as a special leader, five styles of New Rain Coats in nobby patterns. Clean, well made coats, of the latest cut, all long and full and made with a half belt, as thoroughly rain proof as the higher priced coats and fully as swell in appearance. They are worth today $12 and $15, but we offer them as a leader at - $9.75

Shawknit Hosiery Special

Fine cashmere, worsted and heavy wool Shawknit Hose, all 50c grade. This lot is slightly imperfect and is offered at 15c pr.

50c Shawknit Hose for 15 Cents

The Talbot Clothing Co.

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